

BizMiz
Next Generation Women
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Spring 2020

Welcome to the Fourth Newsletter of the BizMiz Project

In this edition you will learn more about:

- Recent progress in the Project
- The Transnational Training Event in Nicosia, Cyprus
- The fourth Transnational Partner Meeting
- The upcoming piloting and multiplier events

THE ROAD SO FAR...

The BizMiz consortium has already finished with the development of the English version of the two main project curricula, namely a bespoke online entrepreneurship curriculum designed specifically for women and a suite of media-rich resources to build digital and social media literacy to ensure the safety of the new online women entrepreneurs. The partnership has also tested these curricula during the Transnational Training Event and received feedback from the participants. Moreover, all resources have been translated to partners' national languages, and the context is now localized according to the needs of each partner country.

In addition to that, the partners have completed the development of the training manual that supported the effective facilitation of the project's in-service training programme for front-line VET and adult education professionals. Also, the e-learning portal is constantly updated with new learning material in local languages. Our e-learning portal is now hosting a library of 24 case studies about women technology entrepreneurs currently living in partner countries; those women describe their experience having in mind that these case studies will serve as an active guidance resource to motivate nascent women entrepreneurs.

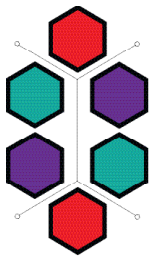
Transnational Training Event in Nicosia, Cyprus

The event was revolved around building the practical skills of VET tutors of working with young women in a supportive environment. The participants had the opportunity to discuss and experiment with various topics, such as gender awareness and gender bias, as well as facilitation methods and tools when working with people from different backgrounds, e.g. active listening, group building, time management and conflict resolution techniques. Overall, the in-service training familiarised the VET tutors with new approaches to use and integrate into their everyday activities.



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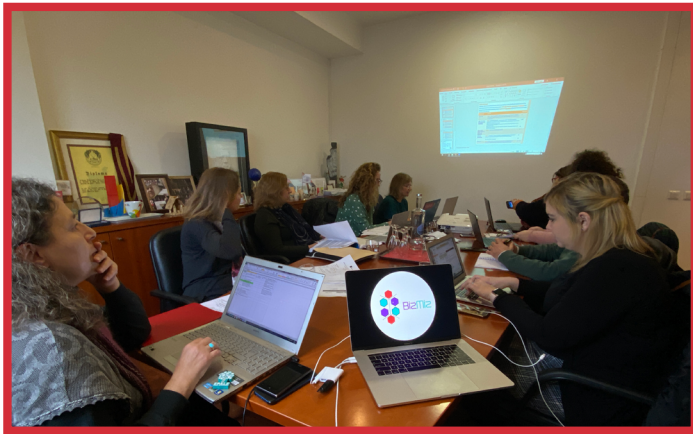
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The fourth transnational partner meeting was held on the 30th of January 2020 in Aveiro, Portugal.

WHATS NEXT?

The local multiplier events will be hosted to present the project, as well as the two new curricula resources developed and the online learning environment. This event will specifically be addressed at VET tutors and young women interested in becoming a next generation woman technology entrepreneur. Partners will also invite existing women entrepreneurs to attend this event to offer support, guidance and encouragement to the next generation coming through. The format of this event will include demonstrations of the new curriculum resources and presentations by women in business.

For the transnational final conference, all partners will present testimonials from their own countries and the full suite of products developed by the BizMiz consortium will be presented. Representatives of VET at senior management level will be joined by managers and policy makers in the business development field. There will also be strong representation of women in business. Young women who have completed the Next Generation Women Technology Entrepreneurs and the Digital & Social Media Literacy curriculums will be invited to share their experiences. The main objective of this event will be to encourage other VET and women's organisations to engage with and use the full suite of resources developed. BWC will invite a suitable key-note speaker to address those attending.

FOURTH TRANSNATIONAL PARTNER MEETING

The meeting started with a thorough update of project activities. Particularly, the partners discussed the finalization of the content for the manual for the In-service training and SYNTHESIS shared the participants' feedback. AcrossLimits presented the progress for the e-learning portal's development, while BWC, as the lead organization, outlined the timeline that we need to follow for the effective organization of the local multiplier events and final conference. It turned out to be a very productive meeting!

The next and final meeting will take place in Belfast, Northern Ireland, where the partners will review whether the main aims and goals of the BizMiz project have been achieved and participate to the Transnational Final Conference.

WHO BIZMIZ IS...

The BIZMIZ Consortium consists of 8 partners Cyprus, Ireland, Italy, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Portugal and the United Kingdom.

- ▶ [Ballybeen Women's Centre \(Northern Ireland\)](#)
- ▶ [Synthesis \(Cyprus\)](#)
- ▶ [The Rural Hub \(Ireland\)](#)
- ▶ [Speha Fresia \(Italy\)](#)
- ▶ [Kaunas Science and Technology Park \(Lithuania\)](#)
- ▶ [Across Limits \(Malta\)](#)
- ▶ [CK Edukator \(Poland\)](#)
- ▶ [Aeva \(Portugal\)](#)

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