

INCREASING OF VOCATIONAL COMPETENCES OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLE DRIVERS PROJECT

Newsletter N°6

Dear Readers,

In this bulletin, you are provided with up-to-date information on the different activities we have carried out within the framework of the Erasmus+ Project for Increasing of Vocational Competencies of Commercial Vehicle Drivers (VOC of DRIVERS/2019-1-TR01-KA202-074813).

“Increasing of Vocational Competencies of Commercial Vehicle Drivers” titled Project and numbered 2019-1-TR01-KA202-074813 submitted during the 2019 Call for Proposals within the scope of the EU Erasmus+ Program Strategic Partnerships for Vocational Training (KA202) activity by the Turkish Federation of Commercial Drivers and Vehicle Owners (short name VCOFDRIVERS Project) was implemented through 01 December 2019-31 May 2022 and was successfully completed.

The partners of the project are the Turkish Federation of Commercial Drivers and Vehicle Owners from our country, the General Directorate of Private Education Institutions of the Ministry of National Education, the Federation of All Education Associations (TÜMEDEF), together with the Training 2000 PSC (vocational training centre) and CNA Associazione Provinciale di Pesaro e Urbino (professional organization) from Italy, PONS Seguridad Vial (road safety firm) from Spain and IBF (Driver (SRC) training centre) from Germany. The associate of the project, SUPSI (University of Applied Sciences of Southern Switzerland), is a technology university established in Switzerland.

The project is directly related to the vocational training and qualification certification of drivers in the transportation sector, and they contributed to the emergence of a successful project by bringing their knowledge and experience together.

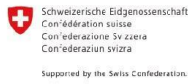
The idea of the project arose from the need to identify the practices in the EU countries on passenger transportation, to identify innovative methods and techniques in driver training, and to support the adaptation of drivers and people and organizations interested in driver training to the rapidly digitalizing world. With this idea, the aim of the Project is to ensure that drivers employed in the road transport sector have transferable professional knowledge, skills and competencies by using digital technologies in their training and exams, and to strengthen the international working capacities and communication networks of vocational education/training providers and other social parties in this sector.

Project studies for all outputs and activities of the project were carried out in 5 different countries. Despite the disruptions in the execution of some project activities due to the Corona Pandemic (Covid-19), which affected the whole world in 2019 and 2020, the project works were carried out as uninterrupted as possible. However, an extension of 6 months was



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requested to compensate for the problems experienced, and the project was completed in two and a half years.

During this process, online meetings were held with the partners and the project progress and project studies continued at every stage. Online project meetings and conversations are held with project partners. Accordingly, 10 online (via Skype application) meetings and 5 face-to-face transnational project meetings were held with the participation of all partners during the entire project process.

During the face-to-face transnational project meetings, educational institutions operating in the field of driver training were visited as an additional activity; Information about the training, examination and certification processes for drivers was obtained.



With the promotion and dissemination of the project (with the project website- (<https://vocofdrivers.tsof.org.tr>), facebook account (vocofdrivers), project brochure, news bulletins, information meetings held in each partner country, etc.) monitoring studies of the project quality (with tools such as interim and final reports, internal progress reports, surveys and feedback forms, etc.) were carried out.

The intellectual outputs envisaged and realized in the project are briefly summarized below. It is possible to reach the mentioned outputs from the project website (web). The project website has been prepared in English and in the languages of the project partner countries (Turkish, German, Italian and Spanish), and it is possible to reach these outputs in 5 languages.

Project Outputs

1st Intellectual Output – Current situation and profile analysis: A research report has been prepared that includes topics such as the legislation, occupational standards and qualifications, training, exams and certifications, the role of e-learning and digital materials in their education, employment status, and expectations from education of drivers engaged in passenger transport (especially urban passenger transport) in partner countries.

[\(http://vocofdrivers.tsof.org.tr/en/io-1-profile-and-current-condition-analyses/\)](http://vocofdrivers.tsof.org.tr/en/io-1-profile-and-current-condition-analyses/)



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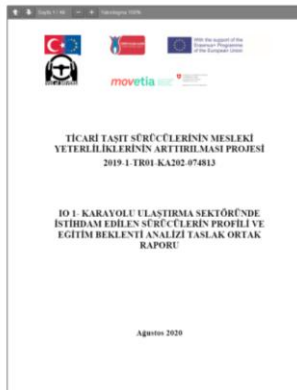


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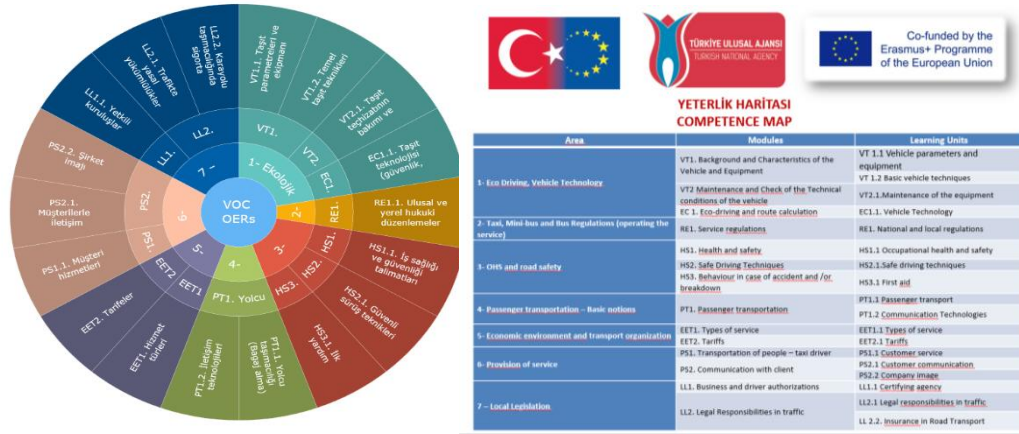
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FÇ 1 – Mevcut durum ve profil analizi



- **2nd Intellectual Output – Competence and training roadmap:** A vocational competence map including the common knowledge, skills and competencies required for drivers carrying passengers and a joint training program were prepared based on this table, together with the parties of the project.

(<http://vocofdrivers.tsof.org.tr/en/io-2-competence-and-training-roadmap/>)

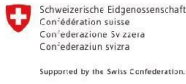
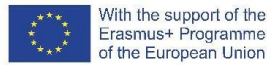


- **3rd Intellectual Output – Digital training materials:** Within the framework of this training program, digital training/test materials supported by visuals and videos that will encourage interactive learning in 7 areas, 14 modules and 18 units have been created and published on the project website without any limitations to be reached. (<http://vocofdrivers.tsof.org.tr/en/ioers-en/>)

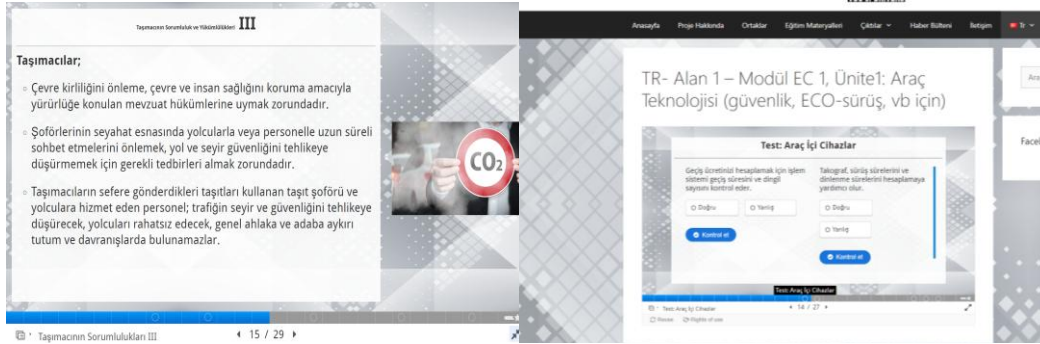


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- **4th Intellectual Output – Testing of the training program:** The training program and e-materials created were tested on the drivers and their trainers engaged in urban passenger transport in the partner countries, and then national and joint pilot training evaluation reports were prepared. The project outputs were received very positively by the target groups and were highly appreciated. A Training Plan including all the studies related to the pilot trainings (general information, training methodology, interactive training materials frameworks, testing methodology, evaluation of trainings and the user's guide of the h5p platform used in the development of interactive e training materials) has also been prepared and posted on the website. (<http://vocofdrivers.tsof.org.tr/en/io-4-testing-of-the-training-program/>)

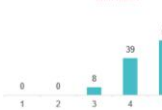


Evaluation of trainings by Drivers Sürücüler Tarafından Yapılan Eğitim Değerlendirmesi

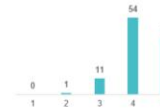
1. BÖLÜM: Eğitimin Genel Kalitesi
1-Kesinlikle katılmıyorum, 2-Katılmıyorum, 3-Kararsızım, 4-Katılıyorum 5-Kesinlikle katılıyorum

PART I: Overall quality of the training course,
1- Strongly Disagree, 2- Disagree, 3- Undecided, 4- Agree, 5- Strongly Agree

1.1- Eğitim programının genel kalitesi oldukça iyidir.
1.1- The overall quality of training program is very good.



1.2- Üretilen eğitim materyali açık ve anlaşılmalıdır.
1.2- The training materials produced are clear and easy to understand.



1.3- Eğitim programı yeni bilgi ve beceriler kazanmam açısından değerliydi.
1.3- The training program was valuable for me to gain new knowledge and skills.

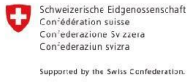
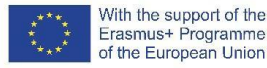


Project Final Conference



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The final conference, which is the last activity of the project, was held on Thursday, May 12, 2022, in the conference hall of the and Turkish Federation of Commercial Drivers and Vehicle Owners, thus all the studies of the project was completed.



Representatives of the partner countries and representatives of public and private institutions and organizations providing services in the field of transportation and driver training in Turkey, MoNE, Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure, Ministry of Interior Affairs, Gendarmerie General Command, TESK, TOBB, TÜSEKON, MESLEKDER-TÜMEDER, KUTEM, AESOB, Ankara General Chamber of Automobile and Drivers Craftsmen, Ankara Chamber of Public Service Vehicle Operators, Ankara Private Chamber of Public Bus Drivers and Ankara Chamber of Minibus Craftsmen, drivers and driver trainers and members of the press attended at the conference.

The conference, where the project outputs were shared, was successfully completed and positive feedback was received from the participants.



1. Transnational Project Meeting(Ankara/Turkey) 2. Transnational Project Meeting(Berlin/Germany)



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3. Transnational Project Meeting(Madrid/Spain) 4. Transnational Project Meeting(Fano/Italy)



5. Transnational Project Meeting (Ankara/Turkey)



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