Blended learning in vocational education and training – BlendVET

Kombinirano izobraževanje v poklicnem in strokovnem izobraževanju – KIPSI



Digital and Innovative Conference in Trbovlje, Slovenia, April, 2023

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About the project

The projects' main objective is to establish conditions for the use of digital technologies in teaching and learning in VET. Through the project activities we will develop and implement school strategies for the effective implementation of blended learning, support VET teachers in planning and implementing blended learning and develop VET teachers' digital competences to create and use e-learning solutions.

The project lasts from November 1st, 2021 until April 30th, 2024.

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Ongoing activities

Strategic plans for introduction of blended learning at schools

At the end of the 2022/23 school year each partner school evaluated their one year implementation of blended learning proces. The schools confirmed that the experience of the strategic approach to implementation had been very useful. At the same time, they assured that they will continue improve conditions for blended learning in following years. If your school is also interested in introducing blended learning, take a look at the strategic framework.

See more: <u>https://blendvet.si/en/activities/strategic-framework-for-schools/</u>.

Pedagogical solutions and pilot trainings for teachers

Teachers not only created blended learning materials, but they also participated in blended learning with testing it.

See more about the piloting: https://blendvet.si/en/activities/strategic-framework/

A group of teachers from Norway will begin with the training in October 2023, showing the project's success and growing interest in blended learning.

> The transformative power of blended learning in vocational education was highlighted in a scientific article »Teacher, Think Twice!« See more: <u>https://blendvet.si/en/teacher-think-twice/</u>

Piloting at SC Novo mesto









Blended learning in Slovenian classrooms

Representatives from partner vocational schools in Norway and Iceland visited Slovenia from 17 to 21 April 2023 at the second study visit of the BlendVET (KIPSI) project.

See more: <u>https://blendvet.si/en/blended-learning-in-slovenian-classrooms/</u>







Study visit in Slovenia



Digital and Innovative Conference

»Technology is a necessary tool for the modern student and teacher, but it must be used in a meaningful and planned way.« M.Sc. Janez Damjan, Director of CPI, Slovenia

As part of the study visit, the Digital and Innovative conference was held in Trbovlje on 20th of April, 2023, where participants learned about the digital transformation strategy and the strengthening of digital competences.

See more: <u>https://blendvet.si/en/digital-and-innovative-conference/</u>





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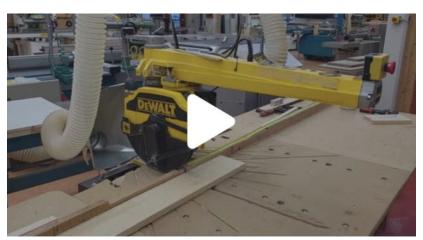
Partners' corner

Creating videos with Edpuzzle

In **Akureyri Comprehensive college, VMA**, teachers have been experimenting the use of Edpuzzle software to create interactive videos.



See more: <u>https://blendvet.si/en/creating-videos-with-edpuzzle/</u>



Edpuzzle video from Akureyri Comprehensive college, VMA

A flying start to the final year

Teachers and leaders from **Åssiden vgs**. and **Fagskolen i Viken** assisted a learning workshop at Future Classroom Lab hosted by the **University College of Østfold**. They were challenged to create a video or podcast.

See more: <u>https://blendvet.si/en/a-flying-start-to-the-final-year-of-blendvet/</u>





Future Classroom Lab at University College of Østfold

The BlendVET project at SC Novo mesto is still going strong

The project team from **School Centre Novo mesto** was very busy with all the activities carried out in the project. Study visit, aftermovie, new application, virtual rooms, piloting etc.



See more: https://blendvet.si/en/project-activities-at-school-centre-novo-mesto/



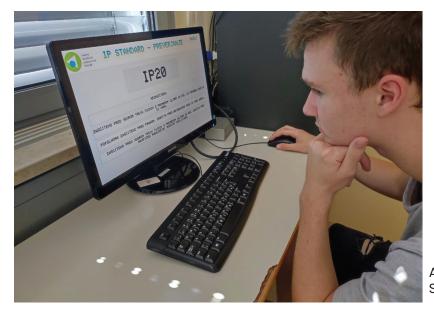
Screencapture of one of the H5P content in virtual classroom at SC Novo mesto

Student corner for blended learning

A comfortable corner, which allows students to study, work, network or just relax at school? Everything is possible at **STPŠ Trbovlje**.

See more: <u>https://blendvet.si/en/students-corner-for-bl/</u>





A role-playing game at STPŠ Trbovlje

Photos and contributions by BlendVET partners.

Workshops for teachers

Between March and September 2023 various workshops were held in Ljubljana. Teachers from Slovenia joined different workshops, such as H5P, Moodle, Video production of 360° content, 3D modelling and animation in Blender.

The virtual walk planning workshop is currently running, followed by the Video production of 2D video and Video editing basics workshops in November and December 2023.

Practical e-learning solutions

The evaluation of the finished e-learning materials was made. Now, the project team is designing user manuals (with video tutorials) for teachers and students, who will use e-materials.

See more: <u>https://blendvet.si/en/activities/</u> <u>practical-e-learning-solutions/</u>



Next steps ...

Teacher training in Norway and Iceland, **October, 2023** Compendium of good practices, **November, 2023** Final public event in Slovenia, **13th of March, 2024** Study visit in Iceland, **8th-12th of April, 2024**

Working together for a green, competitive and inclusive Europe.

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For more information visit eeagrants.org/countries/slovenia.

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