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The I CARE - Improving Mobility and Career Paths for Personal Care and Social Workers" project was funded within the framework of the Lifelong Learning Programme – Leonardo da Vinci sub-programme thanks to a specific call for proposals funding ECVET Pilot Projects. Project activities were launched on the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2011 and will run for two years, until 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2012

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sonal care and social workers are currently mobile across Europe, but the recognition of the competencies gained in other contexts and learning settings is hardly achievable, as they do not hold specific or equivalent qualifications.

The I-CARE project addresses thus the need for an experimental application of the ECVET system, in order to establish a recognition model in the field of personal care and social work.

More on I CARE objectives

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# What I CARE can do for you...

The I CARE project targets those interested in the development of flexible training solutions, in facilitating mobility and access to work, in addressing the need for qualified professionals in the care and social sector and increased transparency of workers' competences and qualifications (VET providers, labour market services and organisations in the field, social partners and authorities). More details about I CARE benefits for you



# **Expected results**

Project partners will analyse existing qualification systems in their respective countries with the objective to develop a recognition model, that would enable evaluation, transfer, validation and recognition of learning outcomes.

Partners will further establish

of the newly developed model, and they will favour the creation of a mutual trust area among their respective countries (Italy, Germany, Poland and Romania).

More details and regular updates on I CARE results





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#### Where we are

After the I-CARE project **kick-off meeting**, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_which was held



which was held in Poznan (PL) on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of February... ...We have now entered the core of the project activities and are currently undertaking the **Inception Phase**.

This phase will firstly provide an overview of the state-of-the-art in the sectoral qualification frameworks in participating countries; and secondly, through the analysis and identification of commonalities and differences, will identify a methodological approach for establishing a common reference framework linked to ECVET.

More on our <u>activities</u>



#### Get in touch Stay in touch

The I CARE newslet**ter** is regularly issued along the project lifecycle, to describe our progress, main activities and results, and to publicise opportunities to be involved such as the I CARE events. You will receive the newsletter every four months; the current and future editions are also available for download on our website

The **I CARE website** where you will have

access to: a detailed description

of the **project**, to better understand its expected impact and what can **benefit** you; **news** and regularly updated information on **activities**, background materials and developments in the field of ECVET conveyed to you in the I CARE Info centre; information to contact us and be involved

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### Get involved in the dissemination of the I CARE project!

- help us inform whoever you think may have an interest in the project
- get in touch: we are fully available to answer your requests/receive your feedback and proposals

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