

## Newsletter 3

# The 1<sup>st</sup> European Level 5 Week

1-5 November 2021

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## A NEW STRATEGY FOR THE EUROPEAN LEVEL 5 AREA

Zagreb (Croatia) – 1/2 November 2021

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Maribor (Slovenia) – 3/4/5 November 2021

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### 1 Some new topics for the Conference in Maribor

Because developments do not stand still, especially now that the economy is really starting up again in many countries, we have looked closely at which topics we can use for the EL5W. Here some new ideas:

- Micro credentials, but then for the European Level 5 Area
- Setting up an expert network – to be linked to the organization of regional meetings on current developments (together with other European partner organizations) – to be seen as Regional Level 5 Weeks
- Strategy group for the EL5A, also with partner organizations and associations
- Setting up an organization that is involved in organizing study trips, for members of CHAIN5 and for others who want to learn about all kinds of developments in Europe
- Role of teachers when it comes to diversity, training and quality.

### 2 Registering for physical participation

In newsletter 2 we have provided the first set of details about the European Level 5 Week, to be held in November, in the expectation that free travel in Europe will be available by then.

We recommend - if you didn't get that newsletter or accidentally deleted the document last time – to look at: <https://www.chain5.net/newsletter-docs/> and scroll down to 'newsletters'.

We have created two options for physical participation:

- The entire week, with arrival on Monday and departure on Friday afternoon or Saturday – to be seen as a 'study trip'.
- The conference, with arrival on Wednesday and departure on Friday afternoon or Saturday.

#### *Link to the form on our website*

If you want to make use of either option, you can use the link that you find on our website:

<https://www.chain5.net/activities/> and use the 'button' there.

If there is a problem... please send an e-mail to [info@chain5.net](mailto:info@chain5.net) and we will help you...

### 3 How to register from September 2 on for online participation in the conference

There will also be the opportunity to follow online a large number of the sessions of the conference in Maribor, both on Thursday and Friday. The main points of the program are therefore already known. The exact details of the sessions and workshops in which you can participate online will be given in September.

You can then register via our website from September 2 on

There are no further costs associated with participation online.

### 4 Update: Preliminary set-up of the conference in Maribor (November 4 and 5)

#### Thursday, November 4

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*The plenary sessions will be streamed. During the day there will be parallel sessions, to be held just physically or in a hybrid context, so also to be followed online (interactive, using digital means for that).*

- 09.30 – 09.40 Opening of the conference
- 09.40 – 10.20 Plenary presentation about ‘HVPE, level 5 and the European strategy) – followed by a plenary discussion, based on statements
- 10.20 – 11.20 Presentations about recent surveys:
  - OECD: role of level 5 and the providers
  - Developments related to ‘micro-credentials’ and the overall strategy for level 5Q&A
- 11.20 – 11.40 Coffee break
- 11.40 – 12.30 Sessions, round 1
  - Level 5 in Slovenia and Europe
  - Level 5 and Work-based learning
- 12.30 – 13.20 Lunch
- 13.20 – 14.00 Plenary presentation about the role of international VET associations (incl. contributions online by representatives of them)
- 14.00 – 14.10 To the sessions...
- 14.10 – 15.00 Sessions, round 2
  - HVPE and VET Colleges
  - HVPE and internationalisation
- 15.00 – 15.20 Coffee break
- 15.20 – 16.10 Sessions, round 3
  - Level 5 and micro-credentials (new theme group on this type of ‘learning outcomes’)
  - Level 5 and ‘teachers, diversity and quality’ (new theme group)
- 16.10 – 16.20 Short break
- 16.20 – 17.00 Plenary session: HVPE and inclusive education at level 5 in general
- 19.00 Dinner in the center of Maribor (optional)

#### Friday, November 5

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*The plenary sessions will be streamed. The parallel sessions will be held in a hybrid context, so also to be followed online (interactive, using digital means for that).*

- 09.00 – 09.20 Start-up session...
- 09.20 – 10.30 Plenary (online) presentations about new initiatives as community of practice for the coming years – with the involvement of experts, managers... and partner organisations (Europe, worldwide...)
  - Centre of Vocational Excellence on ‘progression by using levels 4, 5 and 6’
  - Organising regional level 5 weeks, using our experts’ network
  - Study trips on ‘how to learn more about Level 5 Colleges’
- 10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break

- 11.00 – 11.50 Sessions in small groups
- what have we learned from the presentations...
  - how to deal with ideas presented before the coffee break
  - what can be used for CHAIN5... and for the national approach...
- Your suggestions please.
- 11.50 – 12.00 Short break
- 12.00 – 12.40 Plenary session: European Commission, the European strategy and how to deal with HVPE and the EHEA at the same levels...
- 12.40 – 13.30 Lunch
- 13.30 – 14.15 Closing session for participants, present in Maribor
- Optional - for those who will stay in Maribor.
- 15:00 – 16:30 Visit to a College (make your choice)
- TSC Maribor
  - Prometna sola Maribor

## **5 Fees for the conference in Maribor**

The fee for the conference is based on the country of the participant:

- Italy, United Kingdom, France, Denmark, Austria, Germany, Switzerland, Norway, Malta, Sweden, Finland, The Netherlands and other countries in the Western and Northern part of Europe, not mentioned below: 150 Euro
- Estonia, Latvia, Greece, Poland, Russia, Lithuania, Slovakia, Portugal, Czech Republic, and other countries in the Eastern or Southern part of Europe, not mentioned below: 100 Euro
- Kosovo, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey and other countries not mentioned above: 80 Euro.

Optional:

- Dinner on Wednesday      40 euro
- Dinner on Tuesday         40 euro