

## Transnational Partner Search 31: Lifelong Learning Project

### PROJECT IDEA/ ENTITY PROFILE FORM

#### Contact details

Name of organisation/ Member State: Bridging to the Future (United Kingdom)

Name of project: Enabling Communities to Raise their Socio-Economic Profile through Enterprise and Entrepreneurialism.

We are also looking to be a partner in another project

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#### SECTION 1 – TYPE OF ORGANISATION

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Private</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Public  <input type="checkbox"/> Non profit  <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<p>Is your company a Small- Medium sized Enterprise (SME)?</p> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> No  <p>If YES, number of employees: 11</p>
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<p><b>Description of your project</b></p> <p>(max. 200 words):</p>	<p>Within our communities there is a conspicuous void, between conventional education and employment, in the provision of key functional skills and 'business ready' attitudes and experience. Beyond this, entrepreneurial spirit has been lost and with it the awareness of how an individual can contribute positively to their community and its economic stability, and the aspiration to do so. Using VET and lifelong learning as our platform we aim to create a model which can be incorporated into any VET platform which firstly raises the awareness and aspirations of unemployed/uninspired individuals guiding them to a more constructive and fulfilling future role and secondly provides them with the training and coaching which allows them to be successful in their chosen path.</p> <p>By creating a flexible model shaped by contact with the relevant network in the community (education institutions, VET centres, SMEs &amp; employers), we can combine our wide experience to produce a system which will add tangible value to the outdated offering of VET centres and drive the relevance of their courses towards future employment and community cohesion. The 'skills gap' described will be identified, and a robust but dynamic bridge designed enabling VET centres to deliver the functional skills required and strengthening the transition between education and working life. In parallel, we will be revitalising entrepreneurialism in our communities – both through the development of the skills and experience as above – but with special attention paid to the functionality of (micro) social enterprise, micro-business and SMEs.</p> <p>Our project will hugely benefit our organisations and the partnership itself, and have real value for VET end users - young people and those moving into employment.</p>
<p><b>Description of your organization</b></p> <p>(max. 200 words):</p>	<p>Bridging to the Future is a small but driven organisation based in Birmingham, U.K. which specialises in ground level delivery of solutions addressing capital investment in young people towards the goal of delivering them into a productive role within society via training, coaching and real life experience. We work with partners in the Education sector; schools, vocational training centres, young people focused charities, social entrepreneurs, as well as business partners; multinationals, SMEs, business consultants, social enterprises, and are now focusing efforts on developing projects which can build employability skills and attitudes in any area in Europe.</p>

<b>Partner Profile</b>  (Type of partners you are looking for (skills / experience / expertise) and their expected roles in the Project)	Very flexible – open to all suggestions as the title of the project encourages the use of any idea when put into the correct framework!
<b>Keywords describing the expertise offered</b>  (5 max):	

### SECTION 3 – SECTOR OF INTEREST IN EU PROGRAMMES

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Life+ (environment)                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Interreg (interregional cooperation)     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy Intelligence- Europe (Energy renewable) | <input type="checkbox"/> Media (Audiovisual)                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Life Long Learning (training)                  | <input type="checkbox"/> ICT (Information & Communication Techn.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 7FP (Innovation & Research)                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education and youth           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ecoinnovation                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Employment                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Culture  | <input type="checkbox"/> Others _____                             |

### SECTION 4 – YOUR PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE IN EU PROJECTS. TO POINT OUT THE ACRONYM AND WEBSITE

One year
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### SECTION 5 – EXPECTATIONS

<b>Expected results for your organisation (max 100 words):</b>  Enthusiasm and relaxed professionalism
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