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TransitAction Project

Launch of the TRANSITACTION.EU platform

31 March 2021, 11.00 am – 2.00 pm CET
Online, Zoom

Background

Statistics show that Young Adults with Autistic Spectrum Disorders face greater difficulties than their peers in the transition to employment. Not only do they have more difficulty finding a job but, more generally, this phase represents a moment of particular risk for them, characterized by increased isolation, heightened symptoms (especially for mental health issues), depression, higher suicidal risk, etc.

At the same time this transition is a particularly difficult phase to support for Transition Coaches who often do not have the necessary skills. For Companies, hardly opening the door to the inclusion of YAASD. For families and the community in general, facing a complex change in their role and task that they often fail to manage.

The TransitAction projects want to contribute to the solution of this problem by providing all interested stakeholders with new competence, tools and good practices. The first output of the project is the TRANSITACTION.EU online platform.

TRANSITACTION.EU is an online platform collecting good practices and digital tools to support Young Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorders, Transition Coaches, peers, companies, co-workers, families and other stakeholders in their role in the transition from school or inactivity to Employment

Whom is this event organized for?

- Young Adults with ASD
- Transition Coaches (all professions that support the transition to employment (educators, psychologists, social workers, job coaches, teachers, trainers, etc.))
- Companies interested in young adults' employment
- Co-workers of people with ASD
- Families or people with ASD
- Volunteers associations and all community actors playing a role in social inclusion



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How could this event be interesting to you?

- Discover new good practices
 - Meet other stakeholders and enlarge your network
 - Hear from the direct experience of young adults with ASD
 - Give visibility to your projects, services, outputs, etc.
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Agenda

10:50

Online meeting room opens, connection checks

11:00

Welcome and Introduction

Laura Jones – *Secretary General at EPR*;
Roberto Zanon – *Senior Project and Policy Officer at EPR, TransitAction Project coordinator*

11:15

TransitAction Project: Why? Who? What?

Why: the context

Who: the partners

What: the activities

Roberto Zanon - *EPR*

11:30

TransitAction.eu – the platform. How to use it, how to be part of it

Alessandro Lupinacci - *Futuro Digitale*

11:50

From “Clients” to “Partners” / Nothing About us without us

The contribution of Young Adults with Autism Spectrum disorders in the project

Pinelopi Vitali and Argyro Papadimitriou - *Theotokos Foundation*

12:10

What you will find on the platform, 3 examples of good practices



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Young people with special needs - from school to labor market
Katja Pucko and Denis Mencigar - *University Rehabilitation Institute (Slovenia)*

GTB coaching model for persons in transition from school to employment
Stefany Tan - *GTB (Belgium)*

Coffe Break

Why integrating neurodiversity in your team as an employer? A case study.

Ilse Van den Eede – *Autimatic (Belgium)*

13:10

Q&A on the Good practices

13:20

Networking – Feedback from participants

Participants are divided into groups. Open discussion on the TransitAction.eu platform.
Feedback is collected. TransitAction project Partners join the groups

13:40

Back to Plenary - Wrap up and conclusions

Registrations

To attend this meeting, please register [here](#)

Contact

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