ERASMUS+
GALWAY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Erasmus found us in 2016 some of our staff were invited to partake in a KA1Staff mobility in a Team Leader building program
2016 VET Connected conference in Malahide castle Dublin to make contacts in Europe

Over 50 different colleges across Europe meet to discuss possible future projects and sharing of ideas.
We targeted local radio stations, newspapers and social media and college website.

We launched Erasmus mobilities for students and staff to gain valuable work experience placements and for the exchange of best practice in Vocational education and training.

To boost student intake
To increase student and staff motivation
To foster a European Identity in our college
To build a network of professional educators in Ireland and Europe
Learning new skills and competencies working in Vineyards
Sports coaching
TV and Film companies
Medical Laboratories
Gaining experience growing in confidence and opening their minds
8 students and 2 teachers travelled to Evora for a work placement in Portugal.
Staff mobility to Kes College in Cyprus

Job Shadowing and meetings with coordinators and management to explore new course ideas.

This resulted in us setting up new Pharmacy technician course in GCC
Expanded our Erasmus program to other courses in the college. Equine students Travel to work and compete in horse fare in Villa Moura.
Motor Tech Students in Braga
Learning new skills, in new environments
Benefits of Erasmus Mobilities

- Over 50 students and 10 staff have benefited from Erasmus + mobilities in the last 3 years.
- We have created professional network of educators for the exchange of best practice.
- Our host partners in Evora have sent staff to our college for job shadowing and exchange of best practice. They are sending us students in September for work placement.
- Erasmus surveys have shown we are attracting more students to study at our college and our retention rates have improved because we offer Erasmus opportunities.

My Advice

- Get help with first application it's a lot of work
- Persevere it is really worth it for students, staff and the teaching and learning environment.

Galway...come visit.