

The Comarcal Arzobispo Morcillo school, is a (100%) state-subsidised catholic secondary school dedicated to vocational education and training which provides both Higher Education short cycles and initial vocational education and training. It is owned by a volunteer-based charitable organisation (Cáritas Diocesana de Getafe) which aim is to help the needy and socially excluded people. Since its creation in 1962, the school offers a wide range of higher education vocational short cycles such as:

- Administration and Management
- Commercial Management and Marketing
- Electronic systems maintenance
- Auto-motion maintenance

Those short cycles are taught given in line with the needs and demand of the labour market.

Our purpose is to give students a well-rounded education and training which includes both the development of knowledge and technical, social and work-related skills. Moreover, we tend to develop human values which allow them to be active and responsible individual in our society.

With regard to our institution's international strategy, we have just started developing and working on it by applying to the Erasmus charter and the Lifelong Learning programme. Furthermore, we have also started working on the Leonardo Da Vinci programme and our aim is to foster the development of those programmes year after year. One of the school priorities is to take part in the European mobility activities for both students and teachers. Our wish is to integrate the European Higher Education Area. As far as the organisation is concerned, the whole educational community is involved in this process. Furthermore, the school has an Erasmus coordinator who has a certain amount of time dedicated to the development of the Erasmus programme.

In relation to how we choose our partners, we will make sure that they are Erasmus Charter holders. Furthermore, we will select them according to the learning outcomes and experience our students can gain in that institution or enterprise. Regarding the geographical area, we will try to send students to European English-speaking countries for communication's sake although we are entirely open to any other country.

The objectives we want to achieve are the following:

- students' mobility: study mobility and work placements abroad for each short cycle
- Foster cooperation between Higher Education Institutions and enrich host countries
- Provide students with educational, linguistic and cultural experiences in other European countries
- Contribute to creating young and open-minded qualified professionals with international experience.
- Staff mobility
- Allow students who can not take part in a mobility project to benefit from teachers' knowledge and experience acquired in other European countries.
- Foster the exchange of ideas and experiences regarding methodology and contents and apply them in the classroom.

Obtaining the Erasmus Charter would improve our school's comprehensive education plan since it would highly contribute to the development of its internationalisation and modernisation. The participation of our school's educational community in this process will help consolidate the European reality. Furthermore, it will be a great opportunity to exchange experiences, methods and educational resources with other European higher education institutions. Finally it will allow us to apply the knowledge and experience acquired in other European countries in our classrooms from which our students will benefit. It will thus develop educational excellence and innovative methods.

We firmly believe that our participation will be an opportunity to enhance our students' education and increase their chances of finding a job. Indeed, being able to take part in an Erasmus mobility will be beneficial for the following reasons: they will acquire better language skills and they will win educational, professional and social development. First and foremost, a learning mobility experience will help students increase their professional, social and intercultural skills. Finally, they will deliver skills needed on the European labour market.

We will guarantee maximum quality in the mobility management. Indeed we have in place a lot of people who will take care