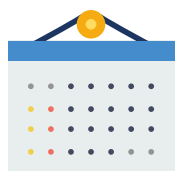


What is IMAS - Improving Assistance in Inclusive Educational Settings?

IMAS is an Erasmus+ project which aims to establish a common framework to analyse the work, career and conditions of learning and support assistants for persons with disabilities in Europe. It will also work on orientation for the further development of the service. The aim is that assistants are able to support the exercise of rights of children and young adults with special needs stated in the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

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Project term

The IMAS project runs from the **1st November 2016** to **31st October 2017**



Main project activities

- ✓ **Description of the current status** of the systems of services in the field of assistance for every partner country
- ✓ **Development of a universal performance description** for assistance services, adapted to the situation in the partner countries
- ✓ **Design of training activity** with learning and support assistants
- ✓ **Five-day training activity** with learning and support assistants from the partner countries
- ✓ **Round-tables with experts** and stakeholders in each partner country

Studied Dimensions

Systems for supporting children's learning and development

General



Financial Framework of the services

Who finances learning and support assistants?



Target group of Assistants

Who do they work with?



Cooperation of the Assistants with other staff

How is the cooperation with teachers, parents and specialists?



Organisation /Admin of the service

Who offers the service?



Qualification requirements

What are the official requirements to work as learning and support assistant?



Legal status

Which laws affect the intervention of support assistants?

Tasks



Aims and Tasks of Assistants

What are they supposed to do?
What are they really doing?



Access to information

What information do they get?



Hierarchy

Who is the boss?

Job Situation



Status and Responsibilities in educational systems

What are the formal and informal roles and responsibilities?



Continuing professional development

Are there possibilities of career development? How are assistants supported when challenges occur?



Job security and career progressive description/profile of workforce

What is their profile?
What is their contractual situation?

Project partners

Coordinator: Chance B Group is a service providing organisation in the Eastern part of Styria in Austria. For the population of around 270.000 inhabitants living in this region Chance B group provides service to support inclusive living for persons with all kind of needs. Website: www.chanceb.at/ Tel: +43(0)31124911 Email: Michael.Longhino@chanceb.at



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