Output Dissemination
Communication Plan

Thrive!

Entrepreneurial skills as solid base for a future in the Creative Industry
A Background

MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THE THRIVE PROJECT

Central in this project is the fact that the project tries to transfer the ideas and knowledge on and developments in entrepreneurial skills through information, education and training to students, schools, employers, employees and other stakeholders in the Creative Industry.

Context

The printing industry has always been part of the communication and information industry. Over the last 30 years the industry has gone through a great deal of technological changes and revolutions. From a manual manufacturing industry dominated by production and output based companies, single channel companies, a change-over to full service communication and information companies, multi-channel companies are now needed. Technology has always been the main (sole) driver for initiating change in the companies. In many cases there is no real research based analyses to support the implementation of the production tools financially. Market research is not a strong point of the entrepreneurs.

Goals, results and impact.

The aim of this project is to develop innovative ways of learning about entrepreneurship and company development and to promote and create awareness on these subjects in schools and companies in the industry. This awareness is the start to implement the appropriate tools and strategies to drive that road up hill to a sustainable future in this extremely interesting Creative Industry of the future.

The company profiles connected to the three direct target groups will be the foundation of the three learning modules that we will focus on. Modern, entrepreneurial skills that will support the individual and company development into a full service provider in the Creative Industry. The modules will have various work formats, from workshops to blended learning assignments with shared responsibilities of the students.

An E-tool will be developed for benchmarking and self-assessment. Individuals and companies can apply the e-tool to benchmark their present position on the development scale that has been implemented in the tool, based on the company profiles. By doing this self-assessment, the individuals or companies will get a clear analysis of the gaps they have in entrepreneurial sense to have a successful transformation to the desired situation.
Dissemination actions

The project will carry out several different dissemination actions and communication materials:

- a specific web page (www.thriveproject.eu) used by participating partners organizations, experts, SMEs, sector stakeholders,
- the corporate identity will be developed incl. logo, PowerPoint, etc.,
- a project leaflet will be published in English,
- dissemination activities through conferences: The final event/conference in Amsterdam 2018, EGIN conference 2016, 2017, 2018, fairs etc.

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- dissemination of the project, goals, content, results through publications in:
  - specialized journals,
  - press releases,
  - partner websites,
- dissemination to other schools in the participating countries through:
  - direct mail,
  - direct contact,
  - fairs,
- involvement of relevant organizations in the project, KVGO being employers’ organisation Printmedia sector in The Netherlands; involvement of the experts participating in the project,
- a dissemination/communication plan with the activities and the tasks divided over the different partners.

B. Communication Strategy

MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THE COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

The main goal of the communication strategy is to disseminate the outputs and impact of the Thrive! project on a National and European scale.

KEY MESSAGES
The different actions and activities of dissemination will be focused on spreading the following key messages:

- Show that The Thrive research results, internet tools and learning material contribute to increasing awareness on changing entrepreneurial skills in and giving support to education in educational institutes and SMEs in the creative sector mainly focussed on communication and information activities.
- Explain how the achievements of the project are the result of a strong cooperation among the project’s partners and stakeholders.
- Explain how project outcomes can boost innovation among Educational institutes and
SMEs particularly within the creative industry.

TARGET AUDIENCES

The different actions and activities of dissemination will focus on the following key target groups:

- educational institutes particularly VET and HE schools,
- students and teachers in mentioned schools,
- entrepreneurs and staff of SMEs,
- European, national and regional Associations in the Creative Industry,

In this project we will investigate, 3 groups:

- young entrepreneurs;
- (employees in the) companies with growth potential or growth ambition and
- female entrepreneurs.

The dissemination campaign will also be targeted to promote and raise interest in the project among national and European audiences and through its contacts with European bodies and networks.

PARTNER'S COMMUNICATION TASKS

Stivako, as dissemination partner, will be in charge of the general implementation of the communication strategy as well as the organisation of the dissemination activities. Stivako will also coordinate and evaluate the actions of each of the project partners, in the interest of achieving the objectives defined in the communication strategy and meeting all project deadlines. Additionally, Stivako will draft the final evaluation and impact of the dissemination. In order to do so, throughout the duration of the project Stivako will store and classify all sorts of material, press articles, photographs, videos, etc. that refer to the Thrive project and to the activities or actions carried out by its partners. All partners will contribute to the development and distribution of the dissemination materials. Stivako will produce when mentioned basic material.

They will contribute by providing contents to:
- Produce (Stivako) and disseminate the web platform (and YouTube channel)
- Support the media campaigns,
- Produce (Stivako) and disseminate the project leaflet, press releases, roll up banner and presentations
- Produce and disseminate information by articles, face to face communication, meetings, workshops, fairs, etc. to the target groups project information, content information, learning material, tools, presentations etc.
• Produce the final report to the EU and disseminate results on the website. Each partner will also be responsible for the organisation of the different dissemination activities that will be held in their region.
Apart from the production of dissemination material and the organisation of the different workshops, all partners will carry out dissemination activities on a regional and national level, using their own communication channels (own website, newsletters, press releases, leaflets, social media, etc.).

DISSEMINATION TOOLS

Tool. 1 Web platform
The project website (www.thriveproject.eu) — a key point in communication planning will be the main transnational discussion and information tool of the participants and the main means of dissemination among authorities and beneficiaries. An online platform will be activated where the beneficiaries and participants will be able to share experiences, documents, and suggestions, and to create opportunities for transnational contact.

Social network: youtube channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/

Tool. 2 The Project's visual identity
Visual identity plays a fundamental role in the communication planning. This is the overall image of the project in the minds of diverse stakeholders, target groups/audiences.
The main goal of this task is to create the corporate branding of the project to build its identity according to its objectives and main values.
The implementation of this task includes:
• The creation of the Thrive! project's logo and selection of the colour palette.
• The creation of the visual identity guidelines. These guidelines will be a useful tool that will help partners to apply the project's graphic identity in a uniform way.

Tool. 3 Dissemination material
Direct communication is complemented by other means, such as a corporate identity; online, print and audio-visual material (project factsheets, newsletters, roll ups, etc.); and media relations.
The dissemination activities will be supported by the following dissemination deliverables:

Project Leaflet EN 1

The dissemination partner will lay-out and print a two-page leaflet (A3, colour, folded and printed both sides), providing information about Thrive! project, its goals and the members of the Consortium.
To be distributed along the entire life cycle of the project in the different actions and activities which are part of the work plan, and the seminars and activities organized by third organizations in which the members of the partner-ship will participate.
This document will be available online (on the project's website) to be disseminated among other stakeholders. This document will be available in the English language.

**Press releases EN 6**

A total of two articles per year (during the life cycle of the project) related to the issues of the Thrive! project, will be distributed among the database of the project's partners. Each partner will be in charge of its own regional and local media. Only one and common English version of this document will be available. This document will be made available online (on the project's website) to be disseminated among other stakeholders. The translation into local languages of this document will be the responsibility of the project's partners.

**Roll up banner EN 1**

In order to complement the dissemination activities during public events, such as conferences and exhibitions, one banner per associated partner (roll-ups -200x80 cm), in English, will be designed and produced. This deliverable will be produced and delivered after the beginning on the life cycle of the project. Only one and common English version of this document will be available. This document will be made available online (on the project's website) to be disseminated among other stakeholders.

**Presentations EN more**

The dissemination partner will create a PPT presentation (PowerPoint-template). This tool will be distributed among the partners at the beginning of the life cycle of the project, and depending on its progress and the obtained results, the template will be modified. Only one and common English version of this document will be available. This document will be disseminated among the partners and if necessary among stakeholders. The translation into local languages of this document is optional and would be the responsibility of the project's partners.

**Dissemination actions own language**

After each conference meeting:
Produce and disseminate information by articles, face to face communication, meetings, workshops, fairs, etc. to the target groups project information, content information, learning material, tools, presentations etc.
Final report EN 1

The dissemination partner will produce a final report highlighting the approach and methodology of the Thrive! project according to the format the EG will send. Parts of the final evaluation report will be made available online to be disseminated among Relevant stakeholders. Only one and common English version of this information will be available.

Appendix: VISUAL IDENTITY GUIDELINES

I Terms and conditions of uses

The Thrive! project logo may be used by all partners of the project. The Thrive! project logo may be by others used only if:
• Permission is requested and granted before the logo is used.
• It is not used in connection with objectives or activities which are incompatible with the aims and principles of the Thrive! project.
• The logo shall be used in its entirety without distorting, modifying or separating its component elements.
• Permission to use the Thrive!logo does not confer on those to whom it is granted any right of exclusive use, nor does it allow them to appropriate the logo, either by registration or any other means.
• Each case will be evaluated individually to ascertain whether it satisfies the criteria set out above.

II. Requests for permission to use the Thrive! project logo

Requests for permission should be submitted to the following e-mail address: info@stivako.nl (project coordinator)

III. Placement of the logo
Background features must not compromise the integrity and visibility of the logo.

- The logo is unalterable and inseparable in all its components and elements.
- In order to guarantee the branding visibility and integrity, the logo should be surrounded by a clear space (protected area), which no other element (text or image) can overset upon.
- If the background would distort with the logo, the protection area around the logo should be white or marked with a flat colour.

**IV Logo minimum sizes**

In order to avoid visibility problems after the printing process, it is not recommended to reproduce the EMSPI logo smaller than 35 mm.

**V EU-Logo**

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The institution will in all information documents distributed or published and which relate to the Erasmus program use the logo of the European Commission.
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