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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ASOO	Agency for Vocational Education and Training and Adult Education
EU	European Union
EPALE	Electronic Platform for Adult Learning in the EU
ESF	European Social Fund
HKO	Croatian Qualifications Framework
HZZ	Croatian Employment Service
ISŠ	Secondary Industrial Engineering School
POU	Public Open College
PIAAC	Program for the International Assessment of Adult Competencies
RH	Republic of Croatia
TCU	Lifelong Learning Week
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
PCU	Promotion of Lifelong Learning

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GLOSSARY

Lifelong learning – is defined as a total learning activity during life with the purpose of improving knowledge, skills and competences within a personal, civic, social, and/or employment perspective. It encompasses learning at all ages (from early youth to old age) and in all forms in which it is realized (formal, non-formal and informal), whereby learning is understood as a continuous process in which the results and motivation of an individual in a certain period of life are conditioned by knowledge, habits and learning experiences acquired at a younger age. There are four basic and interconnected goals associated with lifelong learning: personal satisfaction and individual development, active citizenship, social inclusion, and employability.

Lifelong education – refers to the concept that views education as a lifelong process, which begins with compulsory schooling and (formal) education and lasts a lifetime. The term is often replaced by the term lifelong education, although the two terms are not synonymous. Lifelong education includes only organised learning, while lifelong learning is a broader concept that includes unintentional, unorganised, and spontaneous acquisition of knowledge.

Lifelong career guidance – a continuous process that enables individuals to recognize their own capabilities, competencies, and interests at different ages in order to make decisions about education, training and employment and to manage their professional career. Career guidance implies various individual and group activities that include providing information, counselling, assessment of competences, support, and teaching of necessary skills.

Informal learning – learning that results from daily activities related to work, family, or leisure. It is not organised or structured in terms of learning objectives, time, or support. Informal learning is in most cases unintentional from the perspective of the learner.

Non-formal education – any form of education that does not lead to an acquisition of new qualifications, new diplomas, or a progress in the qualification ranking. It indicates organised learning processes aimed at training adults for work, various social activities and personal development.

Adult education – a term that is defined differently at the international level. OECD (2003) points out that in Europe there is no consensus on a single definition of adult education due to the following reasons: a) it is difficult to define an adult student – learning, environment and age of students differ according to the type of program and regionally; b) the minimum age for defining an adult student is different; c) countries differ in approaches to vocational and non-vocational learning. Some of the existing definitions define adult education as: 1. the whole set of learning processes, formal and other, in which adults (according to the definition of an adult person in the societies to which they belong) develop skills, enrich knowledge and improve technical or professional qualifications or redirect them to meet their needs or the needs of their societies (UNESCO); 2. all forms of adult learning undertaken after they have completed the initial cycle of education and training started in childhood, regardless of how long the cycle lasts - therefore, higher education started before entering the labour market is not considered adult education (European Commission); 3. all forms of non-vocational adult learning, regardless of whether they are carried out formally, non-formally or informally (EU, UK).

Leisure education, leisure-time education – systematic and deliberate creation of conditions for the acquisition of competencies that will enable a person to live a creative and active life in his/her free time (time that is not dedicated to a profession, earning intended to solving existential issues).

Adult basic education – adult education related to basic knowledge needed for responsible participation in the society: literacy and numeracy, social and life skills, and understanding of life in a community. Adult basic education primarily has the compensatory task of making up for what was missed and including attendants in the system of lifelong learning. The goal of the curriculum for adult basic education is to improve basic literacy and life skills in all areas of education. The basic tasks are: raising the general education of adults to the elementary school level, training for self-directed self-learning as a basis for lifelong learning, comparative training for the first profession and acquiring the conditions for a possible continuation of education in secondary education. It refers to areas of primary knowledge and is important for responsible participation in the society: literacy and numeracy, social and life skills, and understanding of life in a community.

Experiential learning – learning derived from general life experience or specific student activities, mostly outside the traditional (pedagogical) environment.

Knowledge society – a society whose activities and progress are mostly based on the production, distribution, and application of knowledge. It is a social community (human society, state) in which knowledge is one of the most important values, i.e., in which knowledge is the main driver of economic and social development and where society invests in science and the development of experts.

Qualification – implies a formal outcome of the assessment and evaluation process that has shown that a person has achieved learning outcomes in accordance with the standards prescribed by a competent body (institution) and/or that he/she possesses the competencies necessary for a specific activity. It also implies having a formal certificate issued by an authorised institution.

Retraining – training that enables people to access occupations or new professional activities that require skills different from those they possess.

Literacy – the ability to recognise, understand, interpret, create, communicate, and calculate using printed and written materials related to different contexts.

It is important to point out that the precise definition of literacy differs from country to country, from organization to organization. Today, we are talking about several dimensions of literacy (reading, documentation, and numerical literacy), which do not have to be equally developed. In addition to general literacy, we are also talking about various other types of literacy (IT, numeracy, scientific, methodological, environmental literacy, etc.).

Lifelong learning policy – an approach according to which lifelong learning is the subject of a separate public policy. This policy is broader than educational policy, and includes elements of social, economic and cultural policy, whereby it is understood as *policy*, that is, a cycle consisting of defining problems, determining alternative answers, evaluating options, deciding, implementing and evaluating results, and

whose creation is determined by three elements, namely: power (specifically determined in globalisation and integration processes), expertise (expert bodies that determine the problem and propose solutions) and order (common understanding of how different participants will participate in certain activities). In recent years, lifelong learning policies have gained an increasingly important place in public policies. Thus, for example, in the European Union, they are recognised as one of the key instruments for achieving its goals, such as the strategic goals determined by the Lisbon Declaration and the Europe 2020 strategy.

Curriculum – a set of activities that are associated with defining an educational or training program. It refers to the content (material to be learned) and the learning process (actions and resources related to learning and teaching). It includes the definition of educational goals, content, methods (including evaluation) and materials, as well as the organisation of teacher training.

Learning outcomes – results of the learning process; acquired behavioural repertoires, acquired knowledge and skills; developed competencies in different areas.

Validation of informal/non-formal learning – the process of assessing and recognising a wide range of knowledge, *know-how*, skills and competences that people acquire during their lives in different environments, for example education, work and free time.

Knowledge – the developmental achievement of an individual that is created through learning and manifests itself as a meaningful system of appropriate responses of a thought-verbal and psychomotor character in situations to which he would not be able to respond without learning. In a narrower sense, it refers to information, that is, facts that a person has accepted or has at their disposal within the framework of a science or society. Thus, knowledge has an individual and social dimension. In a broader sense, the term knowledge also implies the ability to apply theories, methods, and information in solving some problems. There is a difference between declarative knowledge (knowledge of events, facts, generalisation) and procedural knowledge (knowledge of methods, strategies, procedures, techniques). In recent times, this term refers to the totality of cognition that governs all sciences and human society (see under: Knowledge Society).

IT literacy – different understandings define this type of literacy in different ways: from the skill of computer use and accessing information to critical thinking about the nature of information, technical infrastructure and the philosophical context and effect of information.

Voucher for the education of unemployed and employed persons – the voucher represents a financial instrument for the allocation of public funds for adult education. The user chooses the education program and the education provider himself, and the cost of the education program in the amount of the approved voucher is paid directly to the chosen education service provider. In the event that the cost of the education program is greater than the amount of the voucher, there is a possibility that the difference in the amount will be paid by the user or the employer. The education program for an unemployed person can last up to six months, and for an employed person up to 10 months (due to the possibility of harmonising the implementation of the program with the attendant's work obligations). Vouchers can be used by all unemployed and employed persons over the age of 15, who will be granted the vouchers to acquire the necessary skills for career development, employment, or job retention.

PIAAC – Programme for the International Assessment of Adult Competencies – is an international examination of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), which measures reading literacy and numeracy as well as the ability to solve problems in technologically rich environments of adults aged 16 to 65 in more than 40 countries.

THE IMPORTANCE OF LIFELONG LEARNING AND HOW LIFELONG LEARNING IS PROMOTED IN THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA

What is lifelong learning?

Learning is a complex process of acquiring knowledge, and for this reason it is one of the most important components of a person's life. Every child, after it reaches a certain level of development, starts school and thus begins its formal education. However, it is not its first encounter with learning because the child learns from the moment of birth. Learning is necessary for human development, both mentally and physically, and it is very important to understand the importance it has for each of us. There are two ways in which we can understand learning, as a process of education and assimilation of information and as a continuous life process, i.e. lifelong learning.

The terms "lifelong education" and "lifelong learning" are more recent. The concept of lifelong learning was developed in the sixties of the last century and was created as a response to the problem of mismatch between the education of young people and adults. In the 1990s in Europe, such a concept of learning was affirmed as a policy that responds to the problems of the economic crisis and increased unemployment.

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Therefore, the term "any learning activity purpose of improving competences within individual's personal, professional activity".



focus shifted from which is an organised process, to includes all forms of circumstances.

lifelong learning means throughout life with the knowledge, skills and the framework of an civic, social or

In the past forty years, lifelong learning has developed from an initial idea into a prevailing principle and orientation for the development of numerous national education systems.

Continuity of learning represents lifelong learning in various places through non-formal or informal education that encourage personal development and the development of numerous potentials in each individual.

Considering that changes in the world and society are happening at an incredible speed, it is the concept of lifelong learning that guarantees the progress of society and encourages personal development and prevents the rut of an individual's life.

Lifelong education and learning in Croatia and the measures taken to highlight the importance of lifelong learning

In the following text, you can read about the measures taken in the Republic of Croatia, which try to raise awareness of the importance of lifelong learning and investing in one's own knowledge and education,

since lifelong learning represents the basis for personal development and coping and constant adaptation of an individual to changing circumstances in personal life, at the workplace and in the social community.

PIAAC – Programme for the International Assessment of Adult Competencies



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In order to get a true picture of lifelong education and learning in the Republic of Croatia, since accurate data on this matter almost did not exist, in 2017 the Agency for Vocational Education and Training and Adult Education conducted a pilot study of the national examination of adult competences PIAAC, which was

carried out by a team of experts for examinations preparation and implementation. The purpose of this research was to understand what skills are present among the working-age population (aged 16 to 65), to determine how they are used at work and in everyday life, and how they depend on education and learning experience. The ultimate goal of the research is to improve the education system with the desire that everyone has equal access to education and that education fosters those skills that will enable economic growth, productivity and social well-being. It is a field data collection as a part of the "Survey of Adult Skills" (PIAAC), which began in early April and was successfully completed on 4 August 2021.

The results of the research will be used to influence changes in educational policies, employment, and work policies through, for example, the reform of vocational education and training, the creation of high education strategies, the development of literacy strategies for adult education, and counselling processes related to future work and improving work productivity.

The Republic of Croatia, along with 32 other countries, joined the PIAAC programme in the second cycle, which lasts from 2018 to 2024. The first cycle lasted from 2011 to 2019, and it covered 250,000 people in 38 countries. The Ministry of Science and Education appointed the Agency for Vocational Education and Training and Adult Education as the national body responsible for the implementation of PIAAC survey in the Republic of Croatia. The Agency for Vocational Education and Training and Adult Education conducted this research within the framework of the ESF project *Development of a Quality Assurance System in Adult Education*. The national research director is assoc. prof. Nena Rončević, PhD, from the University of Rijeka, and data collection (in the pilot as well as in the main examination) was carried out by Ipsos d.o.o. - market and public opinion research agency.

The research consists of two fundamental parts. In the first part, a classic questionnaire collects data on the participants' socio-demographic characteristics, education level, work status, job characteristics, and the use of information technologies in working and leisure time. In the second part, participants independently complete exercises in the domain of reading literacy and numeracy and adaptability in solving problems (e.g., finding information on websites).

In the period from April to August 2022 the pilot study was successfully conducted, and it is important to point out that the Republic of Croatia is one of only a few countries that, in challenging pandemic times, managed to conduct a full-scale pilot examination of adult competencies PIAAC on a sample of 1,800 participants.

In September 2022, data collection as part of the main examination began. The participants were selected using the random selection method to participate in the research. The research team made propositions of a scientific sample that represents the population of citizens of the Republic of Croatia from 16 to 65 years of age, and the Ministry of Interior randomly selected specific respondents at the settlement level from its own database. Data collection lasted until June 2023, followed by data processing and analysis. The publication of the results is planned for the end of 2024.

Lifelong Learning Week



Tjedan cjeloživotnog učenja

The Lifelong Learning Week has been celebrated since 1999 in numerous countries on all continents at the initiative of UNESCO with the aim of raising awareness of the importance of learning and education. The week is conceived as an educational campaign within which the message to citizens about the importance of lifelong learning is conveyed through advertising in all mass media (this includes the Internet, daily newspapers, radio, and television) as well as through direct contact (including the organisation of various activities such as lectures, workshops, round tables, concerts, fairs, exhibition, bicycle races, etc.). By organizing all the above-mentioned activities, it is intended to bring to the attention of the citizens to the numerous advantages of lifelong learning, so on the one hand it increases competitiveness on the labour market, but it also strengthens self-confidence, develops creativity, communication, and presentation skills, which according to research are emphasized as increasingly important skills of quality employees.

Continuity of learning represents lifelong learning in various places through non-formal or informal education that encourage personal development and the development of numerous potentials in each individual. Considering that changes in the world and society are happening at an incredible speed, it is the concept of lifelong learning that guarantees the progress of society and encourages personal development and prevents the rut of an individual's life.

In conclusion, the concept of lifelong learning has come to life in Croatia and the adult population understands that a positive attitude towards life includes the same, and every year since the Lifelong Learning Week has been celebrated in the Republic of Croatia, and it has been organised seventeen times by now; the number of citizens involved increases as well as the number of activities that promote the importance of lifelong learning. Below is an overview of some of the interesting and successfully implemented activities within the 17th Lifelong Learning Week.

Voucher for the education of unemployed and employed persons

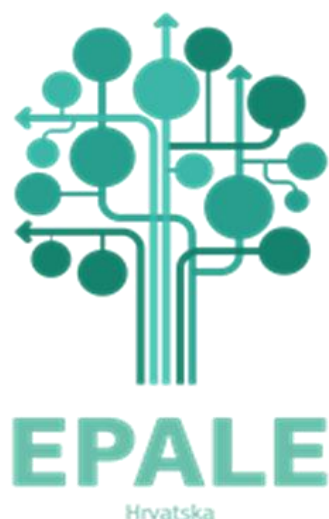


Recognizing the right to lifelong education and learning as a fundamental human right that should be available to every individual, the Republic of Croatia, i.e., its competent institutions in the field of education, are making enormous efforts to provide this right to its citizens by using all available resources, i.e., measures and additional tools. One of the available tools currently in use, which enables

all interested employed and unemployed persons in the Republic of Croatia to participate in the lifelong learning process, is the education voucher system. It is a financing program worth HRK 300 million fully financed by the European Union as part of the National Recovery and Resilience Plan. The bearer of the education voucher financing model is the Ministry of Labour, i.e., the Croatian Employment Service. It is planned that by the end of 2022, four thousand people will use this opportunity, and in the next four years, 30 thousand people.

Vouchers can be applied for from 1 April 2022, and can be used by employed and unemployed persons who, due to a lack of skills, cannot find employment or are threatened with losing their existing employment due to lack of skills, as well as those who want to become more competitive on the labour market.

The average amount of a voucher is HRK 10,000 (EUR 1,327.23), and it can be used for education in deficit areas with an emphasis on digital and green skills. A total of 30,000 vouchers are planned to be distributed over a four-year period, and interested persons apply through a special application. It is planned to include 30,000 people in the education voucher system by 2026, of which at least 12,000 are long-term unemployed, inactive, or young people in NEET status (author's remark: persons who are unemployed, not in the education or internship system).



E- platforma za obrazovanje odraslih

Based on a direct invitation from the European Commission, the Agency is the holder of the EPALe project, i.e., it performs the role of the National Support Service (NSS) for the platform in the Republic of Croatia. The results of the successful implementation of the four previous project cycles point to the fact that the EPALe project has greatly influenced the improvement of the entire system of adult education in Croatia. The main goal of the project is to promote the EPALe platform in a manner which brings it closer to the wider adult education community in the Republic of Croatia by motivating them to become active members of a multilingual, dynamic, and interactive platform made up of a community of experts in adult education. Target groups of the national project are institutions that provide both formal and informal adult education, teachers, scientists, journalists, representatives of public institutions, etc.

Key activities of the project relate to improving the platform by creating and translating a number of useful contents, organising promotional activities at various events and informing potential users about the possibilities of EPALe, active cooperation with partners and stakeholders at the national and European level, and active communication with the central support service (CSS). A series of promotional activities of the EPALe platform seeks to motivate as many experts in adult education as possible to contribute to the development and maintenance of the platform by creating and publishing quality content on the platform and using it in professional training. The aforementioned activities are accompanied by the improvement of the platform through creation and translation of a number of useful contents, organisation of promotional activities at various events, informing potential users about the possibilities of EPALe, active cooperation with partners and stakeholders at the national and European level, procurement of promotional materials, promotion of EPALe through social media, production of EPALe promotional films, two annual newsletters about the activities carried out, and the establishment of a network of EPALe ambassadors, i.e. experts in adult education throughout Croatia who publish professional papers and promote the EPALe platform, thus encouraging users to actively join the virtual community of experts for adult education and the like.

The guide for using the EPALE platform is intended for all potential and existing users of the platform in order to make it as easy as possible to navigate when registering, publishing new news, content and events, finding partners, etc. You can view the guide for using the EPALE platform at the link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B382zIYW7pY>

More information about the EPALE platform is available on the webpage ec.europa.eu/epale

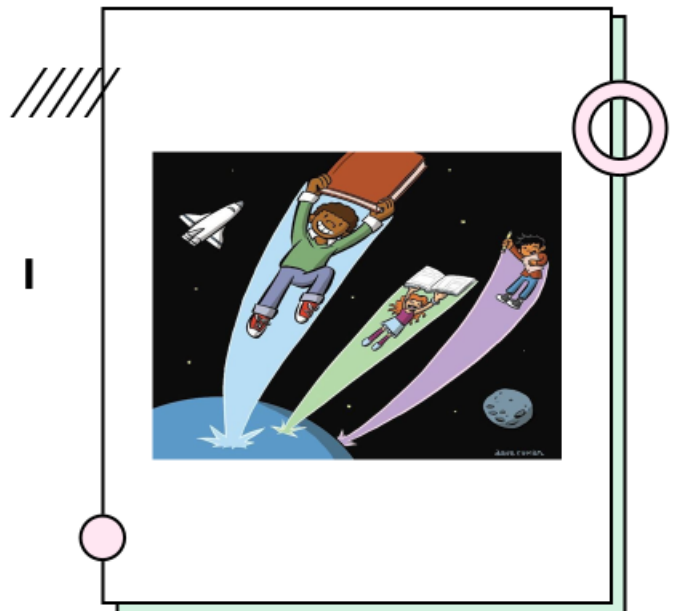
INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY

What is the International Literacy Day?

International Literacy Day is a UNESCO initiative whose goal is to remind the international community every year about the status of literacy and adult education at the world level. The idea of celebrating the International Literacy Day appeared in September 1965 in Tehran, at the World Congress of Ministers of Education, on the topic of eradication of illiteracy. At the Congress, an initiative was presented to declare one day of the year as the International Literacy Day, in order to celebrate and warn about the importance of literacy on an international level. As the day of celebration September 8 was chosen, and UNESCO began celebrating the International Literacy Day the following year, in 1966.

Why exactly literacy?

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Because literacy is a human right, implicitly encompassed by the right to education. It is recognized as a right in a number of international conventions and included in the texts of key international declarations. The Universal Declaration of Human Rights from 1948 recognised the right to education, and thus the right to literacy. However, two declarations went even further – in the Declaration from Persepolis (1975) it was stated: "Literacy is not an end in itself. It is a fundamental human right", and the Hamburg Declaration (1997) emphasises that "Literacy, conceived broadly as the basic knowledge and skills needed by all in a rapidly changing world, is a fundamental human right".

Literacy is recognised not only as a right in itself, but also as a mechanism for realising other human rights. However, it brings with it numerous other advantages: it benefits the individual by influencing his self-

confidence, empowering him for individual and collective action, freeing his creativity and training him for critical reflection of reality. Also, political and cultural benefits and benefits in areas such as education, health care, reproduction and gender equality are related to raising the level of literacy, and the link between literacy and economic growth is determined.

Studies show that literacy is a significant and powerful instrument that can be used to achieve numerous socially valuable goals - but every instrument can be misused.

What does literacy even imply?

Although literacy is often understood as a self-evident term, it is a complex and dynamic concept. Theories of literacy have evolved from those focused solely on changes in the individual to more complex views that encompass and extend the social contexts ("literate environment" and "literate society") that encourage and enable literacy activities and practices. In accordance with this development, the understanding of literacy in the international community of policymakers has also developed - from understanding literacy as a simple process of acquiring basic cognitive skills, to using these skills in ways that contribute to socioeconomic development, to developing capacities for social awareness and critical reflection as a basis for personal and social changes.

There are four basic understandings of literacy today:

- *literacy as an autonomous set of skills*
- *literacy as applied, practiced and situated*
- *literacy as a learning process*
- *literacy as a text*

In the period between the 1960s and 1970s, the understanding of literacy as a necessary condition for economic growth and national development prevailed in the international community. Such an understanding was developed in 1978 by the UNESCO General Assembly in the definition of "functional literacy", which is still in use today. According to this definition, "a person is functionally literate who can engage in all those activities in which literacy is required for effective functioning of his/her group and community and also for enabling him/her to continue to use reading, writing and calculation for his/her own and the community's development". Of course, this definition is neither the last nor the only one - international concepts of literacy have been constantly developing since the middle of the 20th century, often reflecting the prevailing directions in academic research, and the very definition of functional literacy appeared after the prevailing interpretation of literacy as an autonomous skill, and more recently the international community policy makers, led by UNESCO, are increasingly accepting understandings of the existence of multiple different literacies (which opens up a new question: which literacies are "basic"?), literacy as a continuum, and literate communities and societies.

UNESCO ranks Croatia among the countries that define literacy as "the ability to read and write in any language".

The change in the definition of literacy in Croatia was made when in November 2004 the Government of the Republic of Croatia adopted the Adult Education Strategy. The Strategy highlighted for the first time a new understanding of the "21st century literacy", which, along with the "traditional" concept of literacy - writing, reading and (sometimes) calculation skills, includes the ability to read with comprehension, communication skills, knowledge of foreign languages and the use of modern information and communication technologies, which enable quality understanding of natural and social events, ability to solve problems, skills and readiness for teamwork, acceptance of others and different, and the ability to learn continuously. This definition is much broader than the one accepted in the context of the *For a Literate Croatia – a Path to a Desirable Future* project (focused on adult literacy), which emphasises that "no person can be denied the opportunity to acquire basic education", i.e., functional literacy, thus equating literacy with acquiring formal (primary) education.

ESF PROJECT LIFELONG LEARNING PROMOTION PHASE II

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When we talk about measures that certainly aimed to respond to the problem of insufficient involvement of citizens of the Republic of Croatia in lifelong learning, it is essential to mention the ESF project Promotion of Lifelong Learning, which was carried out by the Agency for Vocational Education and Training and Adult Education, and which was implemented in its

second phase in the period from 2020 to 1 June 2023. The total value of the project was HRK 11,840,800.00 (EUR 1,571,544.23) and was financed by the *European Social Fund (ESF) within the Operational Programme Efficient Human Resources 2014–2020 (OP ULJP 2014 2020)*.

As we have already stated, in addition to responding to the problem of insufficient involvement of citizens of the Republic of Croatia in lifelong learning, the purpose and goal of the project was also to raise awareness of the importance of lifelong learning through the promotion of various opportunities for lifelong learning and to increase the participation/involvement of adults in lifelong learning processes by expanding existing and introducing new activities, in order to thereby strengthen their competitiveness on the labour market and strengthen the individual's personal capacities for active engagement in the society.

Furthermore, through a series of activities that were organised as part of the project, the competencies of educational staff from adult education institutions were also strengthened.

The following is an overview of the completed project activities:

- a Working Group was formed to monitor the implementation of the PCU Strategic Framework in the Republic of Croatia 2017 -2021, and a Publication was created on the results of the monitoring of implementation of the Strategic Framework for Promotion of Lifelong Learning in the Republic of Croatia 2017 -2021 and the improvement of the promotion of lifelong learning,
- three expert-scientific conferences were held, attended by a total of about 250 participants,

- three publications were produced after expert-scientific conferences were held with the aim of further dissemination among educational staff from adult education institutions,
- communication materials for media campaigns promoting lifelong learning were created and
- three media campaigns promoting lifelong learning were implemented

Since one of the goals of the project is the promotion of the importance and various opportunities for lifelong learning in the Republic of Croatia, the emphasis of the entire project was precisely on the promotion of lifelong learning, which is why intensive campaigns and advertising were conducted in various types of media such as print media, electronic media, television, radio, Internet (advertising through advertisements on the Internet and online portals, social media, and advertising in public areas).

In all the years of project implementation, eight regional coordinators were engaged who helped in the preparation, organisation, and implementation of the Lifelong Learning Promotion campaign with the aim of decentralising activities related to learning and education, i.e., with the aim of including all regions and counties of the Republic of Croatia in project activities.

The following is an overview of the activities carried out as part of the three National Promotion Campaigns of Lifelong Learning:

- three Opening Ceremonies of Lifelong Learning Week were held (15th, 16th and 17th Lifelong Learning Week) in which a total of 336 participants took part,
- three Lifelong Learning Fairs were organised, for which it is not possible to state the exact number of participants, since it is an open and exhibition-type event where it is not possible to count and record every individual visitor,
- in 2022, a total of 17 institutions for adult education were engaged for the purpose of promoting lifelong learning at the regional level, which organised a total of 25 workshops in which 355 participants took part,
- in 2023, a total of 24 institutions for adult education were engaged for the purpose of promoting lifelong learning at the regional level, which organised a total of 37 workshops in which 498 participants took part,
- three International Andragogic Symposia (IAS) were held, attended by a total of 497 participants, which focused on current topics related to adult education. Prominent experts in adult education at the international and national level informed the participants of the symposium about news in the field of adult education, shared their experiences from practice and thus enabled them to acquire new andragogic knowledge and skills with the aim of further improving the system of adult education,
- a total of 24 one-day events with andragogic themes were organised, attended by a total of 482 participants,
- four cycles of andragogic workshops were held, which were completed by a total of 100 participants/andragogic workers (25 andragogic workers per cycle) lasting 18 days per cycle, i.e., 336 hours,

- after the four cycles of andragogic workshops, the final works/workshops of the attendants of the andragogic workshops followed. The attendants held a total of 42 workshops attended by a total of 575 participants,
- three three-day workshops were held for the employees of ASOO/MZO with the aim of improving cooperation with other institutions in the field of education, which ensured involvement and sharing of knowledge and resources, and with the aim of maximizing the use of project results,
- the final conference of the project was held, attended by 56 participants, and the aim was to present the results of the project in all three years of implementation and thus once again raise the level of awareness among all citizens of the Republic of Croatia as well as decision makers/stakeholders in the field of education about the importance lifelong learning.

SEVENTEENTH LIFELONG LEARNING WEEK – from 17 to 23 April 2023



For seventeenth year in a row, as part of the Lifelong Learning Week, citizens had the opportunity to participate in free lectures, workshops, round tables and similar events, and numerous educational institutions presented their potential attendants with the educational opportunities offered to them, especially since the possibility of free education through vouchers for adults for digital and green skills.

The activities of the 17th Week of Lifelong Learning, which took place from 17 to 23 April 2023, began on April 17 at 10:00 a.m. in Dubrovnik with the Opening Ceremony in the Student Centre Dubrovnik, Ul. Marka Marojice 2b, 20 000 Dubrovnik.

As a part of the Opening Ceremony, with the aim of bringing the idea of lifelong learning closer to the target groups of the campaign, the 15th Lifelong Learning Fair was held.

The backbone of that Lifelong Learning Week was, like every previous one, informing citizens about how they themselves can become a part of the lifelong learning process and motivating them to take that step. At the same time, the campaign was further developed every year, the scope of activities and areas of implementation expanded, the number of activities increased, as well as the number of institutions involved, the involvement of key actors at all levels strengthened and, what is particularly important, the number of citizens participating in one of the activities organised during the Week continuously grew.

The campaign was also successfully implemented in 2023, so according to the applications of the organisers, 513 events were held throughout the Republic of Croatia, in which 220 different institutions participated in cooperation with partners (state administration bodies, social partners, Croatian Employment Service, counties, local community, associations, cultural institutions, institutions for adult education, schools and other organisations).

Citizens had the opportunity to participate in free workshops, lectures, round tables and similar events also this year, and numerous educational institutions opened their doors and enabled potential attendants to familiarise themselves with the educational opportunities offered to them.

By organising a national education campaign, for the seventeenth year in a row, the importance of the continuity of promoting lifelong learning and the consequent strengthening of citizens' awareness that lifelong learning is the answer to extremely dynamic changes in numerous segments of society and everyday life was emphasised, including changes in the labour market and that, despite the existing circumstances, lifelong learning and education can and should be done.

Examples of individuals who through learning and thanks to their own determination and perseverance managed to achieve numerous positive changes in their lives, often overcoming many obstacles, are extremely encouraging for everyone else to follow the same path - the path of learning and education. This is precisely why, as part of the campaign, the *Maslačak znanja* award is awarded for achievements in adult learning. And this year's winners of the *Maslačak znanja* award - Željka Šemper, Tajana Uzun and Danijel Balažić - are people who decided to expand their knowledge and skills and, despite all circumstances, work on themselves and their development.

As part of the campaign, Awards for Contribution to the Development of Adult Education are awarded to persons who have contributed to the improvement of the adult education system in the Republic of Croatia through their professional and scientific involvement. This year's winner of the Award for Scientific Contribution to the Development of Adult Education is assoc. prof. Višnja Rajić, PhD, while the winners of the Award for Professional Contribution to the Development of Adult Education are Ante Gale and Milivoj Jerkunica.

Below you can read more about our winners as well as interesting facts from successfully implemented activities within the 17th Lifelong Learning Week.

WE STARTED WITH THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE 17TH LIFELONG LEARNING WEEK

Opening Ceremony of the 17th Week of Lifelong Learning was held in the Student Centre in Dubrovnik. The event was attended, and the attendants were addressed by: Marko Žmirak, President of the Centre for Youth Careers Dubrovnik and this year's host and co-organiser of the Opening Ceremony of the Week, Mato Franković, Mayor of the City of Dubrovnik, Joško Cebalo, Deputy County Prefect of the Dubrovnik-Neretva County, Mile Živčić, Director of the Agency for Vocational Education and Training and Adult Education and Momir Karin, Director of the Directorate for Support and Improvement of the Education System and representative of the Ministry of Science and Education who officially opened this year's Lifelong Learning Week.

The official opening was followed by the awarding of the „Maslačak znanja” award for achievements in adult learning and the Award for Contribution to the Development of Adult Education, which was accompanied by screening of short films about each winner. As a part of the program, a panel discussion was held on the topic "Lifelong learning - the key to success or a necessity?"

The film about the winners of the „Maslačak znanja” award for achievements in adult learning for 2023 can be viewed at the link <https://youtu.be/W8Xio-rbcDU>, and the film about the winners of the Award for Contribution to the Development of Adult Education for 2023 can be viewed at the link <https://youtu.be/MidTMWd6RXY>

Below you can see a part of the photographs from the Opening Ceremony, and the entire gallery at the link <https://www.cjelozivotno-ucenje.hr/portfolio-item/svecano-otvorenje-17-tjedna-cjelozivotnog-ucenja/>







MEET OUR WINNERS OF THE "MASLAČAK ZNANJA" AWARD FOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN ADULT LEARNING FOR 2023!

One of the priority goals of organising the national education campaign Lifelong Learning Week is to highlight the importance of continuous promotion of lifelong learning and the consequent strengthening of citizens' awareness that lifelong learning is the answer to extremely dynamic changes in numerous segments of society and everyday life, including changes in the labour market and that, despite the existing circumstances, lifelong learning and education can and should be done.

The three awardees took seriously the message that we should all learn every day and at every opportunity.

As a part of the campaign, the "*Maslačak znanja*" award is traditionally awarded for the learning achievements of adults, which has become one of the most important and recognisable components not only of the Lifelong Learning Week, but also of the Lifelong Learning Promotion project. It is precisely by highlighting personal examples of individuals who overcome life's difficulties through education in an environment that is not always stimulating that we encourage citizens to get involved in some form of learning and education and follow in their footsteps and start investing in themselves, thus developing knowledge and skills. The award consists of a small sculpture, a charter, and a voucher worth HRK 7,000.00 (EUR 929.06) for free attendance at an education program of the winner's choice.



**Dobitnici nagrade Maslačak znanja
2023.**



Željka Šemper (Sisak, 1968) is a person with 100-percent physical impairment (3rd category of disability), which causes her significant difficulties in movement and requires constant overcoming of obstacles, such as unadapted architectural accesses to buildings, difficult access to public transport, etc. Due to her physical impairment, she was exposed to many surgical procedures throughout her life, which required long and arduous recovery and absence from school and the workplace.

Despite this, Željka graduated from the Gymnasium in Sisak and the Faculty of Education and Rehabilitation in Zagreb and obtained the qualification of Master of Educational Rehabilitation. She worked at the Centre for Upbringing and Education Dubrava for 22 years, of which

13 years as an educational rehabilitator, first as a teacher in extended professional procedures, later as an educator with primary and secondary school students and adult users, as well as nine years as head of the Home department. At the end of 2018, she transfers from the Centre for Upbringing and Education Dubrava to URIHO, where after two years of working in the Rehabilitation Service, she became an advisor to the director and remained in that position until October 2022, when she became the director of the IDEM Education Institution.

For many years, she has also worked as an external associate and radio show host on Croatian Catholic Radio that cover topics of interest to people with disabilities. In addition, Željka is a poet, she published five collections of poems and her poems were included in two anthologies of Croatian poetry, and her birthplace, the Municipality of Martinska Ves, awarded her a public recognition in 2019 for the extensive promotion of the Municipality in the field of culture.

Aware of the importance and value of lifelong professional training of educators, Željka participated in numerous projects in which she gained additional competencies for working with students with difficulties and people with disabilities, with a special emphasis on topics related to education for employment, on which topic several of her papers were published. In addition, for four years she was the head of the inter-county professional council for teachers of students with disabilities.

The professional challenges that Željka accepts, regardless of her disability and the obstacles that accompany it, required continuous education and work on improving her own abilities. In addition to professional training related to her work at the Centre for Upbringing and Education Dubrava, she completed the computer operator training program at the POU Algebra and is nearing the end of the *Management of Non-Profit Organizations and Social Advocacy* program at the Catholic Faculty of Theology of the University of Zagreb. In January of this year, she completed the program for improving andragogic competences *Curriculum globALE*, organised by the Agency for Vocational Education and

Training and Adult Education, so that as the director and andragogic head of the IDEM Education Institution, through her further work, she could promote the values of education and lifelong learning, which she believes in and which her achievements prove.



Tajana Uzun (Zagreb, 1982) is a long-time employee of the Croatian Association of Deafblind Persons. This professor of English language and literature and pedagogy began her professional career as one of the first translators for deafblind people. Namely, Tajana was born in a family whose members are deaf or deafblind, and she is the only member of the family who can hear and see well. Since early childhood she was exposed to Croatian sign language and deaf culture, and very early on she started working as a translator for deafblind people. Later, she applied the linguistic and pedagogic knowledge acquired at the university in her professional work, creating a two-year course program for translators. In 2020, she recognised the changes in the needs of the labour market and created and

implemented an online platform for self-learning of Croatian sign language and thus created the possibility of learning for all those who want to learn Croatian sign language in cities where there are no courses, or they are simply held at an inappropriate time. In a short time, the online platform recorded great interest from the public and was evaluated as an extremely well-designed program for self-learning. In addition, attendants were able to take the exam after completing the self-learning process, which created the possibility of obtaining a certificate of their own knowledge.

In addition to all of the abovementioned, Tajana is currently actively working on the creation of a new textbook for learning Croatian sign language, which should see the light of day in mid-2023, thus creating more modern, effective learning tools for the interested public. Namely, the Croatian Association of Deafblind Persons Dodir has been conducting Croatian sign language courses for many years, and Tajana strives to create new, more modern materials and more accessible solutions for attendants.

At the end of 2022, she created content for the YouTube channel HZJzaDJECU Dodir and the corresponding picture book "My First Signs" intended for everyone who meets deaf children and needs support in making their first contact and communication with a deaf child.

Tajana Uzun effectively uses and combines her experiences as a child from a family of deaf and deafblind people with the acquired language skills from college, and year after year she creates new, innovative solutions both in lifelong learning programs and in general to spread awareness about deafblindness and the challenges of deafblind people. She continuously holds a large number of educations on request for educational institutions, thereby spreading awareness about deafblind people and Croatian sign language and potentially creating interest in the position of translator for deafblind people.



Danijel Balazić (Osijek, 1968.) grew up in Osijek with his grandparents until he started school, when he moved to Bizovac with his parents, who had returned from temporary work abroad. Enrolment in a regular high school was made impossible by an accident he experienced when he recklessly jumped into water. Having broken his cervical spine, he became disabled and moves only with the help of a wheelchair, which significantly disrupted his life plans. After long-term treatment, he returned to a more or less normal life, but he could not attend high school because he did not have the opportunity to travel daily from the village where he lived,

since in that period there was no concern about the accessibility of educational institutions in accordance with the needs of people with disabilities. Despite all mentioned difficulties, he successfully completed several computer science courses and in 1990, with the help of his family, he opened a business where he was employed full-time until October 2004, when he was injured at work. After that, he was unable to recover and continue working and was forced to accept the offered retirement. In retirement, he decided to become active in the association of persons with disabilities and thus influence changes that will improve the quality of life for persons with disabilities and fight for the rights of persons with disabilities in society, as well as their affirmation. As the leader of the association, he increasingly encountered difficulties related to the lack of formal education, which became a condition for participation in most tenders aimed at financing the program activities of civil society organisations. Despite all the health problems and obstacles, he encountered during his upbringing and education, at the age of fifty-two he completed a four-year high school education program for the profession of administrative officer with the grade excellent. With this, in 2021, he rounded off his story, which enabled him to be the president of the Association of Paraplegics and Tetraplegics of Osijek-Baranja County and to promote and advocate for the rights of people with disabilities and to fully contribute to the personal development and development of the organisation of the association, which he heads today.

AND THE WINNERS OF AWARD FOR THE CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF ADULT EDUCATION IN 2023

This year's winner of the Award for Scientific Contribution to the Development of Adult Education is assoc. prof. Višnja Rajić, PhD, and the winners of the Award for Professional Contribution to the Development of Adult Education are Ante Gale and Milivoj Jerkunica. Read why the award was given precisely to them in the attached biographies below.





Assoc. prof. Višnja Rajić, PhD, associate dean for teaching and students/assoc. prof. PhD at the Department for Pedagogy and Didactics

Višnja Rajić graduated from Grammar School Matija Mesić in Slavonski Brod, and then at the Teacher Academy, she studied classroom teaching with English as enhanced subject, postgraduate specialist study in Modern Elementary School and doctoral studies in Early Education and Compulsory Education at the Faculty of Teacher Education (dissertation: Possibilities for internal reform of primary education by implementing didactic-pedagogical elements of reform pedagogies). For the first four years, she worked as a classroom teacher and English teacher at the Lauder Lea

Deutsch Primary School in Zagreb, and in 2006 she was employed at the Faculty of Teacher Education - first as a (senior) assistant, and then as an assistant professor. In her scientific work, she deals with reform and progressive pedagogies, the development of school and pedagogical pluralism, and has been a certified Montessori pedagogue since 2016. She also shows scientific interest in the field of docimology, democratic upbringing and education, and adult education. She teaches the following courses: Theories of teaching and education, Teaching curriculum, Assessment in primary education, Lifelong education, Montessori pedagogy, Alternative schools and Education for democratic citizenship. She is the author of 12 papers in English and one paper in Portuguese. As a member of the organising committee, she participated in a dozen international conferences, and presented at about 20 conferences in the country and abroad. She is a trainer of the Agency for Vocational Education and Training and Adult Education for educations in the field of adult education. She is the coordinator for the CEEP US network PA CE (Pedagogy and Andragogy in Central Europe) and a member of the management board of the international association Change to learn – Learn to change (Strasbourg). She is an expert of the Council of Europe in the field of violence prevention, education for democratic citizenship and evaluation of transversal knowledge, skills and attitudes for democracy, a trainer of the Pestalozzi program trainers of the Council of Europe, and since 2018 the editor-in-chief of the magazine *Andragoški glasnik*. In the period from 2015 to 2019, she was the president of the Quality Management Committee, and from 2018, the associate dean for teaching and students. She won the Dean's Award (2015) for continuously investing efforts outside of regular business obligations in the presentation of the Faculty to the community, raising the reputation of the Faculty and improving cooperation between the Faculty and public authorities, the University and related institutions in Croatia and abroad.



Ante Gale

Ante Gale was born on 31 July 1946 in the settlement of Galići near Tomislavgrad, and he completed primary, secondary and higher education in Vinkovci. After completing his studies, in 1973 he was employed as a young engineer at the Driving School Vinkovci, and then in 1977 at the Secondary Vocational School in Vinkovci. He then enrolled PTO studies at the Faculty of Education in Osijek, which he finished within a regular period. While working at the Vocational School in Vinkovci, he started the adult education program, which was registered, and became the first head of the program. He worked as a PTO professor until 2001, when he transferred to the post of professional secretary of the Community of Technical

Culture VSŽ in Vinkovci.

In 2002, he founded the first private institution for adult education in Vinkovci, TECHNICAL COLLEGE VINKOVCI, and was appointed the first temporary director. Later, after a conducted tender, he was appointed the first director of the College until the end of his working life, more precisely until he turned 67. He retired after 41 years of employment.

For his work in education, he was awarded the highest prize "Ivan Filipović" in 1989, and for his work in technical culture he received the HZTK Annual Award for 2002.

At the beginning of the Homeland War, he was appointed commander of the Lapovci Reserve Police Force of the Ministry of Defence, where he remained until 19 April 2002. In 2005, he was awarded the Memorial of the President of the Republic of Croatia, Franjo Tuđman, Dr.

In 2009, the Vukovar-Srijem County awarded him for the achieved results in education and technical culture, as well as for his image and reputation of an educator. In two mandates, he participated in the work of the Croatian Employers' Association for secondary, higher, and high education in the Republic of Croatia.



Milivoj Jerkunica

Milivoj Jerkunica was born on 30 April 1942 in Kaštel Sućurac. As a road traffic engineer, he began his professional career working on technical vehicle maintenance at the company "Dalmacija auto", where he soon assumed the role of manager.

After that, he was employed as the manager of the Auto-moto Club Split driving school and became the president of the Commission for the implementation of driving tests in the Traffic Centre Split.

In 1990, he was among the first in the Republic of Croatia to open a private driving school, ST-Semafor in Split. Continuing the successful operation of the driving school, he begins with enrolments in adult high school education programs for motor vehicle drivers, as well as in other adult training and advance training programs.

Then, in 2001, he founded the Contemporary College of Split, which continuously develops and realises various training, advanced training and secondary education programs in response to the current and future needs of the labour market. The Contemporary College of Split continues its successful work and becomes a leading educational institution dealing with lifelong learning in the area of Dalmatia and beyond.

In addition, in 2008, he founded the Aspira College of Management and Design, which as a private college organises and conducts professional study courses such as Sports Management, Computing, i.e. Software Engineering, International Management in Hospitality and Tourism, and Gastronomy.

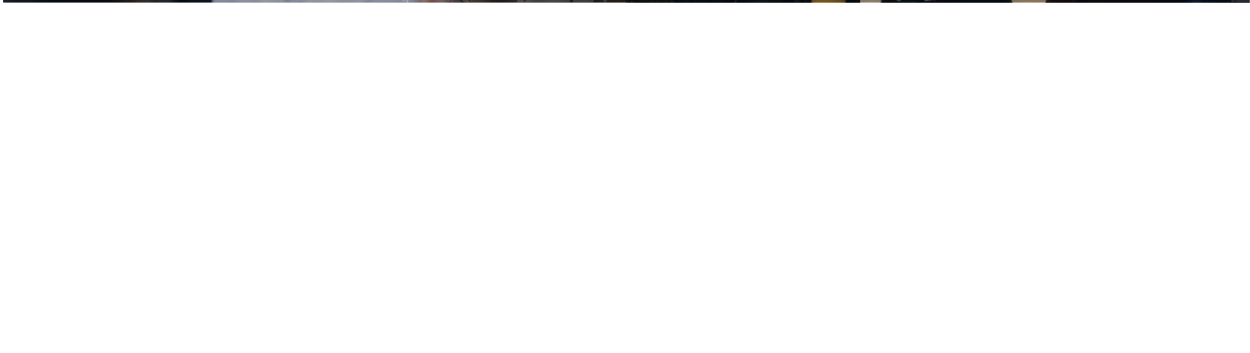
Also, in 2013, he founded the Atlantis Maritime College for professional training and education of seafarers.

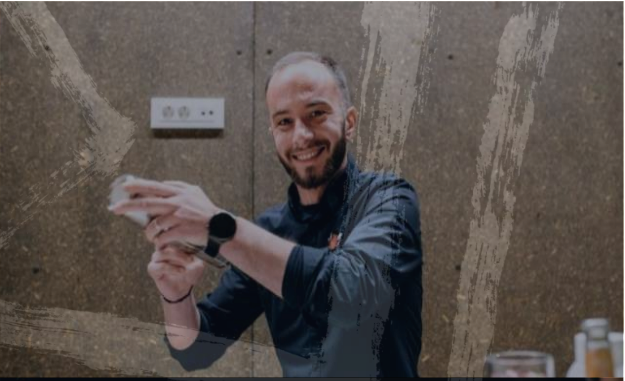
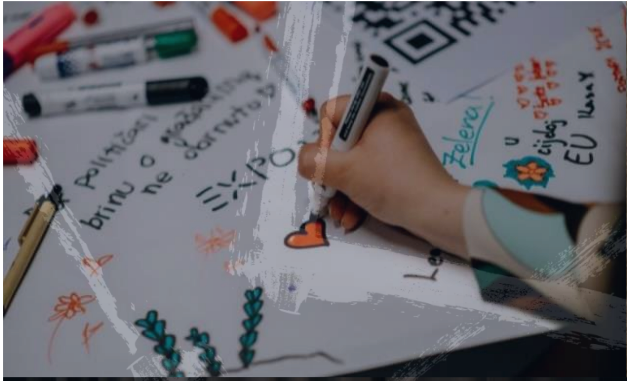
Milivoj Jerkunica is one of the best examples of how, even in the education sector, one can think and act entrepreneurially and, with a clear vision, follow new trends in the labour market in an innovative way.

... AFTER THE OPENING CEREMONY, WE HELD THE LIFELONG LEARNING FAIR

15th The Lifelong Learning Fair took place again this year after the opening ceremony of the Week in the premises of the Student Centre in Dubrovnik. The organisation of the Fair aims to present to all interested citizens of the respective county, and this year they were citizens of Dubrovnik-Neretva County, the offer of educational programs offered by institutions for adult education in the said area. In addition to the presentation of the educational programs themselves, the exhibiting institutions place a special emphasis on the presentation of the skills that the attendant will acquire after completing a certain program, as well as the final products that are the result of the acquired skills, thus additionally marking 2023, which has been declared the European Year of Skills by the European Commission. In addition to being able to get specific information about the educational program that was the subject of their interest, visitors to the fair had the opportunity to win additional discounts for taking it. The aim of this initiative was to additionally encourage citizens to get involved in lifelong learning, to show that learning is available to everyone, but also to present all the advantages it brings with it. Below in the photos you can see what this year's Lifelong Learning Fair in Dubrovnik looked like, and you can find the entire gallery at the link <https://www.cjelozivotno-ucenje.hr/portfolio-item/sajam-cjelozivotnog-ucenja-17-travnja-2023-studentski-centar-dubrovnik/>







IT IS OF COURSE IMPORTANT TO MENTION THE PARTNERS WITH WHICH THE AGENCY COLLABORATES ON DESIGNING AND IMPLEMENTING ACTIVITIES THAT ARE HELD AS PART OF THE LIFELONG LEARNING WEEK CAMPAIGN

In the implementation of the Lifelong Learning Week campaign, the Agency cooperates with a number of partners, including regional coordinators, adult education institutions and secondary vocational schools, who collaborate with the Agency on designing and implementing activities within the Week, animating and motivating institutions at the local and regional level and informing citizens about learning opportunities in their communities.

For many years, regional coordinators have been active partners of the Agency for Vocational Education and Training and Adult Education in the preparation, organisation, and implementation of the Lifelong Learning Week campaign itself. Their role as long-term partners of the Agency in the campaign is crucial in informing the potential organisers of events, as well as the media and citizens in the region, about all activities related to the campaign. With the aim of better preparation and involvement in the activities of the campaign, in the preparatory phase they provide organisational support and assistance through working meetings with institutions registered to perform adult education activities in their region and also contribute to the visibility of the campaign by distributing promotional materials to campaign participants. Every year, they organise and hold at least ten workshops of a promotional and informative nature with the aim of sensitising the public for lifelong learning, promoting the culture of learning and encouraging personal motivation in general.

Below is brief information about the institutions that applied to the public call that we announced and through which we engaged them as regional coordinators for 2023





- for the area of the City of Zagreb, Zagreb, Krapina-Zagorje and Karlovac counties, the **Crafts College - Institution for Education of Adults** with its headquarters at Ilica 49, 10000, Zagreb, was engaged as a regional coordinator. You can find more information about the college as well as a list of services they offer in the field of adult education at the link <https://www.obrtnicko-uciliste.hr/#>,
- for the area of Lika-Senj, Primorje-Gorski Kotar and Istria counties, the **NATIONAL COLLEGE, institution for education and culture** with its headquarters in Rijeka Školjić 9, was engaged as the regional coordinator. You can find more information about the institution as well as a list of services they offer in the field of adult education at the link <https://nar-uciliste.hr/>,
- for the area of Split-Dalmatia and Dubrovnik-Neretva counties, the **Crafts Technical School** with headquarters in Split, Plančićeva 1, was engaged as the regional coordinator. You can find more information about the school as well as a list of services they offer in the field of adult education at the link <http://ss-obrtna-tehnicka-st.skole.hr/>,
- for the area of Koprivnica-Križevci, Međimurje and Varaždin counties, the **PUBLIC OPEN COLLEGE KOPRIVNICA** with headquarters in Koprivnica, Starogradska ulica 1, was engaged as the regional coordinator. You can find more information about the college as well as a list of services they offer in the field of adult education at the link <https://www.pou-kop.hr/>,
- for the area of Osijek-Baranja and Požega-Slavonia counties, the **Public Open College Obris** with its headquarters in Požega, Vanje Radauša 19, was engaged as the regional coordinator. You can find more information about the college as well as a list of services they offer in the field of adult education at the link <https://www.pou-obris.hr/hr/>,
- for the area of Vukovar-Srijem and Brod-Posavina counties, the **PUBLIC OPEN COLLEGE VINKOVCI** with headquarters in Vinkovci, Pavleka Miškina 10, was engaged as a regional coordinator. You can find more information about the college as well as a list of services they offer in the field of adult education at the link <https://www.pouvinkovci.hr/>,

- for the area of Virovitica-Podravina, Bjelovar-Bilogora and Sisak-Moslavina counties, the **TECHNICAL SCHOOL DARUVAR** with headquarters in Daruvar, Ivan Gundulića 14, was hired as the regional coordinator. You can find more information about the school as well as a list of services they offer in the field of adult education at the link <https://www.tsd.hr/site/> and
- for the area of Zadar and Šibenik-Knin counties, the **FINIS College** with headquarters in Zadar, Ulica postrojbi specijalne policije Zadar 12, was engaged as a regional coordinator. You can find more information about the college as well as a list of services they offer in the field of adult education at the link <https://uciliste-finis.com/>.

INSTITUTIONS ENGAGED AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL WITH THE AIM OF PROMOTING THE IMPORTANCE OF LIFELONG LEARNING

Workshops at the regional level were carried out as part of the activities of the project "Lifelong Learning Promotion Phase II", and as part of the *National Education Campaign "Lifelong Learning Week"*.

The purpose of the workshops was the promotion of lifelong learning with the aim of raising awareness of the importance and necessity of learning and providing quality information to citizens about learning opportunities and the educational offer in their region. The workshops were intended for all interested citizens who wanted to improve their knowledge and skills and thus enable the achievement of individual goals, whether professional or personal.

As part of the campaign, **24 institutions were engaged, which conducted 34 workshops**. At the workshops, the attendants were presented with a specific example of skills that a attendant acquires after completing a specific adult education program, such as preparing hot and cold dishes, making a PowerPoint presentation, making jewellery, writing a resume and motivational letter, etc.

According to the feedback from the engaged institutions, there was no lack of citizens' interest in participating in these workshops. Using the photos and text below, let's get to know the involved institutions and the workshops they conducted in their county.

Požega-Slavonia County

VELIKA: workshop "Testing tools and equipment in the power engineering", HEP NOC – Teaching and Education Centre

The topic of the workshop were high-voltage tests of protective equipment in the control and testing laboratory of HEP NOC. The attendants of the workshop were briefly introduced to the scope of the educational institution, and more detailed information about the work of the laboratory was presented by the examiner of the control testing laboratory Željko Maravić, who also answered many questions of the attendants in an open subsequent discussion. A brief overview of the organisation of the laboratory according to the HRN EN ISO/IEC 17025:2017 norm was also made. During the tour of the Teaching and Education Centre, low-voltage, and medium-voltage polygons for working under voltage, as well as cabinets for training for work under voltage at low voltage, were shown. An independent platform for working under voltage at medium voltage was presented. At the end of the workshop, a demonstration of the breaking strength of air was made in the control testing laboratory in order to practically explain the procedure of testing and recording the results.



VELIKA: workshop "Demonstration energy polygon", HEP NOC – Teaching and Education Centre

At the "Demonstration Energy Polygon" workshop, participants were introduced to the most common parts of energy plants, types of energy poles, conductors and insulators. After the presentation led by Nikola Veić, there was a presentation and tour of the laboratory and the outer part of the training ground by Željko Maravić, an instructor with many years of experience at HEP NOC. In addition, internal laboratories and classrooms were shown, where attendants are trained daily using the technology of working under voltage. Through a lecture on increasing awareness of the importance of safety at work in the energy sector, the attendants also got familiarised with the news from that field. The workshop ended with the lecture "Ecological view from the perspective of power engineering", which presented the care for the environment.



RADIONICA "POKAZNI
ENERGETSKI POLIGON", HEP
NOC - NASTAVNO
OBRAZOVNI CENTAR

Zanimljivo je da.....

City of Zagreb

ZAGREB: workshop "Business make-up for a job interview", Crafts School for Personal Services

Workshop trainer, Zdenka Mihelj, introduced the attendants to the theoretical basis of skin type and structure, skin condition, complexion, and concepts from colour theory. During the workshop, the attendants determined the condition of their skin, tone, face shape, shaped their eyebrows, applied powders, and tinted creams, and properly contoured their skin in order to emphasise their facial features and conceal imperfections such as freckles, redness, acne, etc. They decorated their eyes with eyeshadows and mascaras, and their mouths with pencils and lipsticks. In addition to the correct application of products, the attendants learned how to apply make-up in accordance with their clothes and achieve a natural, discrete look and make a positive impression at a job interview. Since the attendants were students who wear make-up for going out and often apply bright colours, glitter, blue or black lipstick, they were surprised by the effect of discrete make-up. They learned previous make-up techniques mostly from social media and they were surprised by the fact how many incorrect, sponsored products and procedures are being promoted.



Radionica „Poslovni make up za razgovor za posao“,
Obrtnička škola za osobne usluge

Sve što jedna žena treba znati
naučili smo u kratkom vremenu...

ZAGREB: workshop "Creation of webpages with the help of the Google Sites tool", Public Open College Zagreb

The attendants of the workshop had the opportunity to learn about the Google Sites tools used to create websites. In the introductory part, they were presented only with the Google Sites interface, the options for choosing the design and layout of the pages, creating a cover photo, adding image galleries and YouTube videos, as well as other tools that they can use. The attendants actively participated during the workshop and had the opportunity to acquire new knowledge and skills in the field of creating websites with the help of the Google Sites tool.

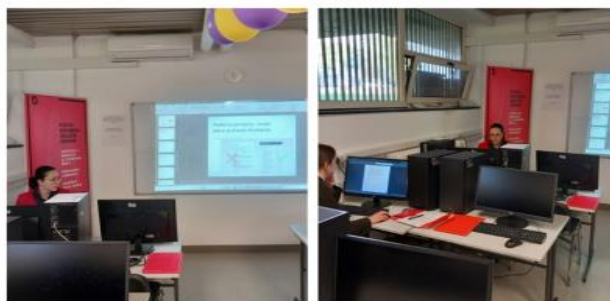
RADIONICA „IZRADA
INTERNETSKIH STRANICA
UZ POMOĆ ALATA GOOGLE
SITES“, PUČKO OTVORENO
UČILIŠTE ZAGREB



ZAGREB: workshop "Writing resumes and motivational letters", Public Open College Zagreb

During the workshop, the attendants had the opportunity to gain new knowledge on how to write a good resume and motivation letter, and thus present themselves to a future potential employer. After the theoretical part, a practical application of what was learned followed, where each participant created a resume or updated an existing one.

RADIONICA „PISANJE ŽIVOTOPISA I
MOTIVACIJSKOG PISMA“, PUČKO
OTVORENO UČILIŠTE ZAGREB



ZAGREB: workshop "How to write a good resume", College Magistra

The topics covered at the workshop were: types and content of resumes, how to write an application or a motivation letter, how to contact an employer after the end of the application process, communication, and job interview. Each of the topics is analysed in detail and argued with important examples. The workshop was interactive according to the way it was conducted, and the attendants significantly contributed to the dynamics and content of the event with their contribution. The content is presented through an exchange of PowerPoint presentations with group or individual work of attendants on the topic of writing an application, advantages and disadvantages, as well as the most common mistakes in a resume and creative answers to the most difficult questions during a job interview. Personal experiences of the lecturer and the participants of the workshop related to writing resumes and applying for tenders were presented, which answered the most common doubts that accompany the job search process. After the workshop, the participants learned how to write a high-quality resume and job application in accordance with the latest trends and expressed their satisfaction with the content and presentation of the teaching material.

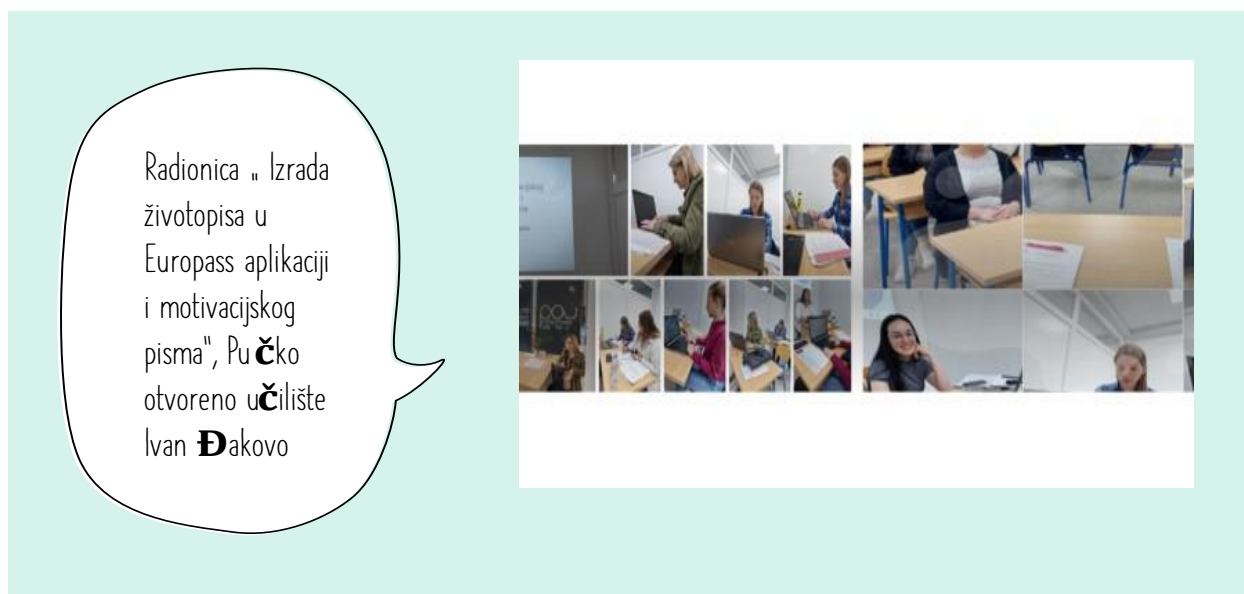


RADIONICA „KAKO
NAPISATI DOBAR
ŽIVOTOPIS“,
UČILIŠTE
MAGISTRA

Osijek-Baranja County

ĐAKOVO: workshop "Creating a resume in the Europass application and a motivation letter", Public Open College Ivan Đakovo

Workshop trainer Danijela Kreković first introduced the participants to the theoretical content of creating a resume in the Europass application and a motivation letter, followed by a practical application of what was learned.



Radionica „Izrada
životopisa u
Europass aplikaciji
i motivacijskog
pisma“, Pučko
otvoreno učilište
Ivan Đakovo

ĐAKOVO: workshop "Care of elderly and demented persons", Public Open College Ivan Đakovo

Štefica Mikšić, PhD, held an educational workshop called "Care of elderly and demented persons" at the Public Open College Ivan Đakovo. In addition to the theoretical part, the attendants of the workshop had the opportunity to practically apply what they learned.



RADIONICA „NJEGA STARIJE I DEMENTNE OSOBE“, PUČKO OTVORENO UČILIŠTE IVAN ĐAKOVO

OSIJEK: workshop „Sensorimotor Development of a Child“, COLLEGE STUDIUM – Institutions for adult education

At the workshop, the motor development of the child was presented, and tips and examples were given on how to encourage proper movement patterns. Ways to recognise deviations from normal development were also shown, as well as concrete examples of dealing with them, all from the perspective of physiotherapy technicians.



OSIJEK: workshop „Veterinary introduction to animals“, COLLEGE STUDIUM – Institutions for adult education

At the workshop, characteristics of the behaviour of dogs and cats and about the proper approach to dogs and cats were learned. Special attention was paid to observing the importance of using protective equipment and clothing and applying safety measures at work, protecting the clients and the animals themselves. The attendants were introduced to means of restraining, accessories for fixing and ways and methods of restraining dogs and cats. They also got acquainted with procedures, accessories, equipment and instruments for work in veterinary medicine.



Šibenik-Knin County

KNIN: workshop "Strengthening the competencies of private renters", Public Open College Knin

During the workshop "Strengthening the competencies of private renters", the attendants were presented with the following topics: presentation of phrases and expressions in English and German, practice of using phrases and expressions in English and German, cooperation with the Knin Tourist Board, familiarisation with rental applications and the e-Visitor System. At the end of the workshop, an evaluation was conducted, the results of which indicate that the workshop was useful for all participants and that they will apply what they have learned in their daily work.



RADIONICA „JAČANJE
KOMPETENCIJA PRIVATNIH
IZNAJMLJIVAČA“, PUČKO
OTVORENO UČILIŠTE KNIN

Zanimljivo za sve one koji
razmišljaju pokrenuti poslovanje u
ovom području kao i one koji se
njime već bave...

KNIN: workshop "Strengthening professional competencies of teaching assistants and raising awareness of the importance of lifelong learning"

To the attendants of the workshop "Strengthening professional competencies of teaching assistants and raising awareness of the importance of lifelong learning" conducted as part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, the workshop trainer, in addition to the presented professional content aimed at strengthening the competencies of teaching assistants, also emphasised the importance and continuity of lifelong learning.



Koprivnica-Križevci County

KRIŽEVCI: workshop "Let's prepare the house for the climate crisis", Public Open College Križevci

Public Open College Križevci marked the 17th Week of Lifelong Learning with a workshop entitled "Let's prepare the house for the climate crisis" under the guidance of Veljko Arman Linta, Master of Architecture Engineering. At the beginning of the meeting, everyone gathered was welcomed by the director prof. Željka Šunjić, and the professional associate Ana-Maria Rešetar, mag. paed.; together with lecturer, Veljko Arman Linta, MArch, they introduced the topic of the workshop.

The workshop began with an interactive lecture on the climate crisis and its impact on everyday life, during which everyone gathered had the opportunity to learn more about the techniques and methods of preparing the house and the environment for the aforementioned changes. Information is presented on rainwater harvesting and use, wastewater utilisation, solar and photovoltaic systems, the best types of insulation and carpentry, and much more. Also, the lecturer explained what everyone can do independently, and what requires the help of experts and obtaining permits. The continuation of the workshop was followed by group work on concrete examples of land parcels of the attendants, which were found and accurately measured in the Joint Information System of the Land Registry and Cadastre. Guided by questions from the lecturer, each group first described the current state of the house and land, and after that, they worked together to come up with ideas on how to improve it to make it more resistant to the climate crisis. Each group presented their complementing ideas which were discussed. In the end, the informal social gathering continued, in which the lecturer answered the questions of the attendants related to the planning of house construction, installation of photovoltaic systems, garden planning, etc.



KRIŽEVCI: workshop "Recycle for Euros", High School "Ivan Seljanec"

The goal of the workshop was to raise awareness of the importance and usefulness of recycling textile products. During the workshop in the school practicum area, attendants were introduced to the possibilities of recycling clothes and bags that they collected themselves and brought to the workshop. They made slippers, a backpack, aprons, bags, and skirts.



Sisak-Moslavina County

KUTINA: workshop „Making jewelry“, Public Open College Kutina

The workshop trainer, Ružica Švabek, represented the technique of stringing beads on a thread using two needles and taught the attendants how to properly fasten the hook and loop. At the end, the attendants of the workshop successfully mastered the technique, and each made her own bracelet.



GLINA: workshop „Making decorations“, High School Glin

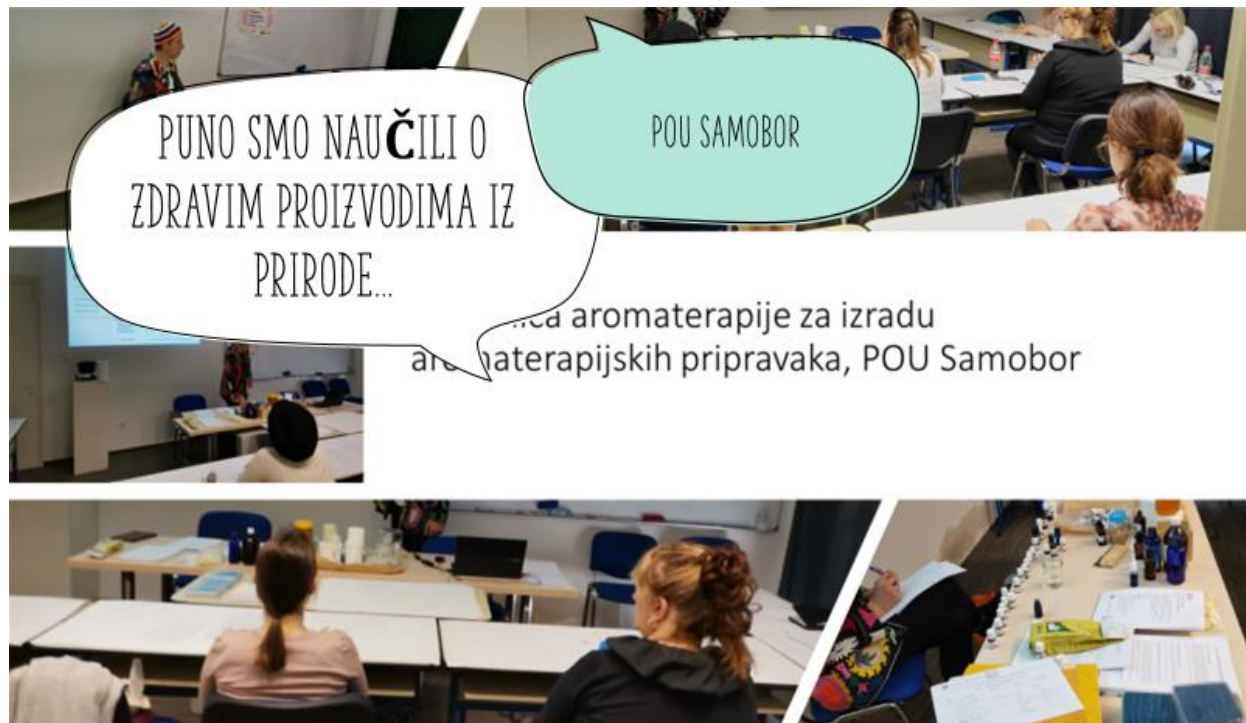
The workshop on "Making decorations" was held as part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week where, after the introductory presentation, the method of making decorations was presented to the attendants. After that, the attendants independently made magnets using the dotting method, tapestry, and decorations from old books.



Zagreb County

SAMOBOR: Aromatherapy (aroma cosmetics) workshop for making aromatherapy preparations, Public Open College Samobor

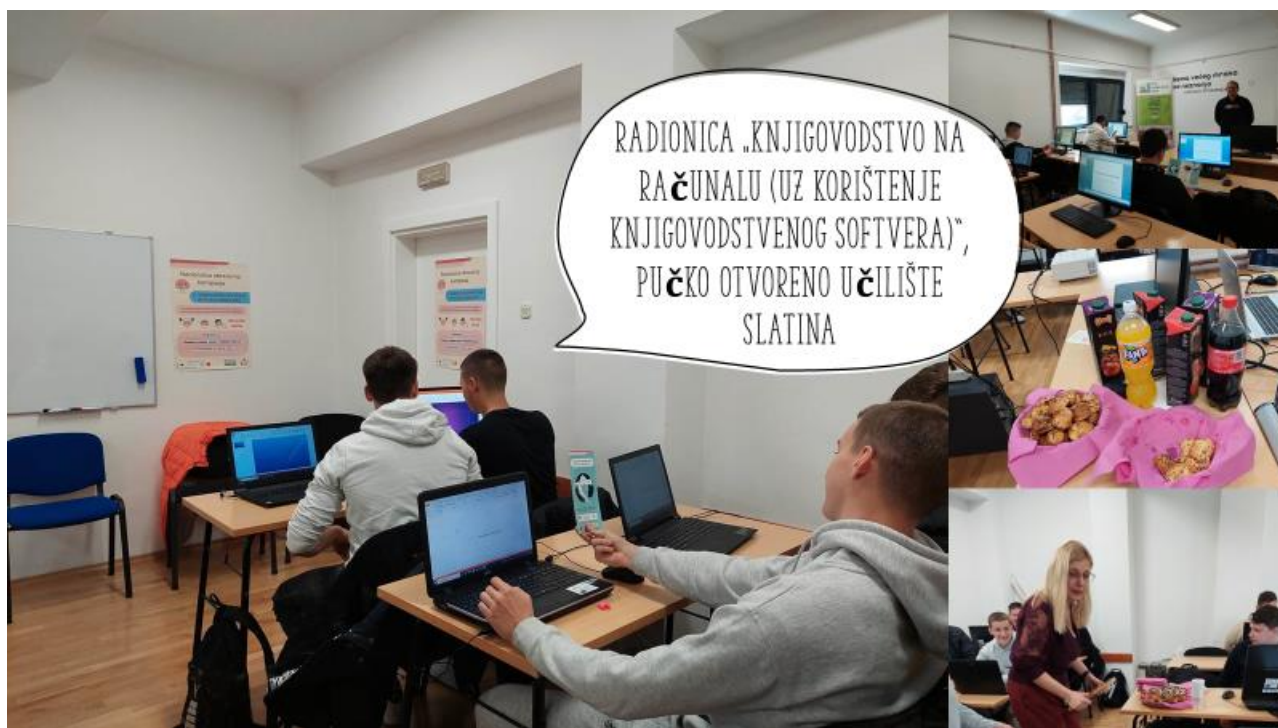
The workshop on aromatherapy (aroma cosmetics) was held by Saša Radulović, an aromatherapist who has been dealing with the chemistry of essential oils since 1995. The aim of the workshop was to increase the knowledge, skills, and motivation of people to enjoy the magic of plants based on the tradition of French aromatherapy and innovations in their daily activities.



Virovitica-Podravina County

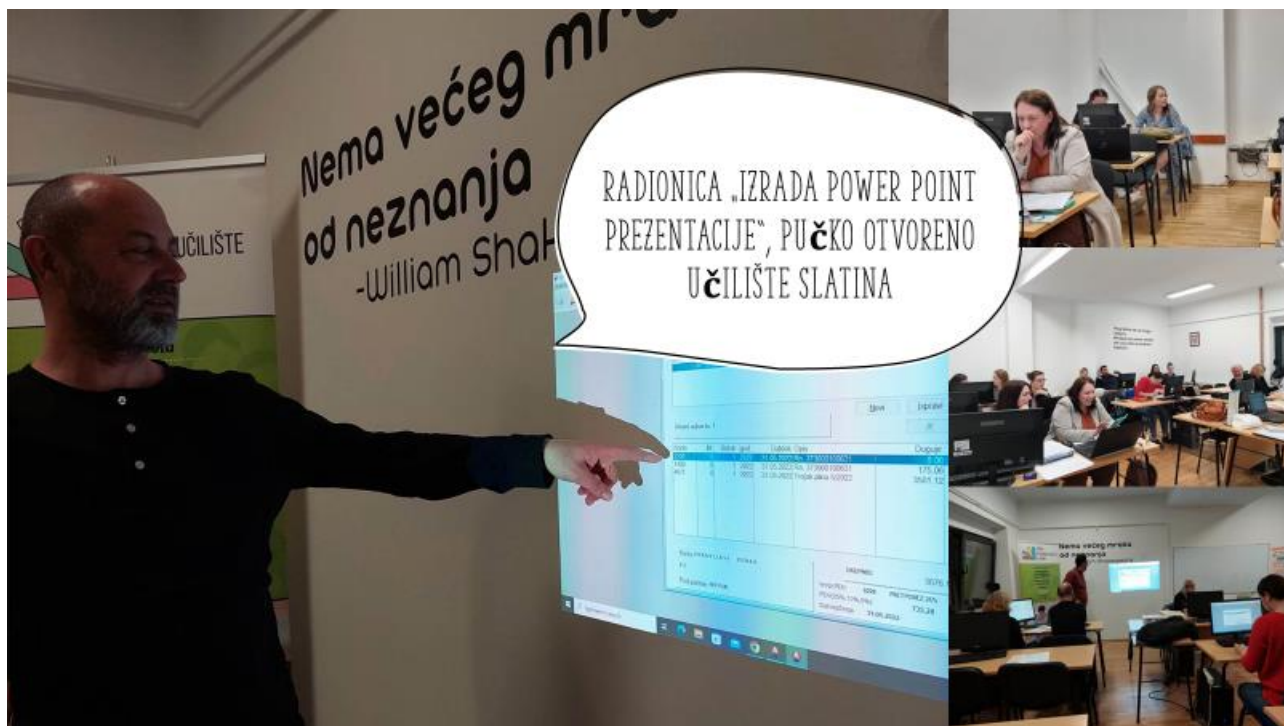
SLATINA: workshop "Bookkeeping on the Computer (with the use of accounting software)", Public Open College Slatina

It was about the practical application of the "work-based learning" method, i.e., the skills that the attendants acquired after completing the education program for the partial qualification of accountant. For the workshop, an example of an education program that was current last year was chosen, conducted with a "new methodology" in which the dominant teaching system was "work-based learning" – Education program for obtaining a partial qualification as an accountant. Attendants solved short tasks in which, based on the received documentation, they recorded changes related to the opening of initial balances, the opening of basic and auxiliary business books, and changes to basic accounting categories using accounting software. Work was performed in the accounting package ARTSoft, which was written for WINDOWS platforms. The program is easy to use, it has all the benefits of the WINDOWS environment, and attendants of the College have already used this accounting program.



SLATINA: workshop "Creating a PowerPoint Presentation", Public Open College Slatina

The attendants of the workshop independently made presentations on given topics. In doing so, they repeated and perfected their knowledge in working with slides, entering, and processing text, tables in a presentation, presentation effects, and displaying and printing a presentation.



Varaždin County

VARAŽDIN: workshop „EU and domestic funds for small and medium-sized entrepreneurs“, Public Open College Varaždin

The workshop was intended for small and medium-sized entrepreneurs from the area of Varaždin County. The topics of the workshop were examples of projects in the Republic of Croatia in different areas and examples of projects with specific situations that arose during the application and implementation, followed by practical application where analyses were made prior to the preparation of the project application (SWOT, problem tree, goal tree, risk analysis, option analysis) and filling out the project application with examples in the fondovi.gov.hr system.



VARAŽDIN: workshop „Working with students with developmental disabilities and students with autism spectrum disorders in the regular education system“, Public Open College Varaždin

The workshop trainer was Jelena Dolenec, MEdRehab, and it was intended for primary school teachers from the area of Varaždin County. The workshop was divided into two parts: students with developmental disabilities in the regular education system and practical application of what was learned. In the first part, the participants were interviewed about what kinds of difficulties they know, what they have encountered so far and whether they know anything more about students with developmental disabilities. They were presented with the types of developmental disabilities in the regular education system, as well as ways of adapting methods, resources and ways of working for students with the mentioned and described developmental disabilities. This was followed by practical work where the participants were divided into groups and each group received a "case" - a description of a student with certain developmental

disabilities and a table in which they were supposed to describe and design adaptations for the student on a specific example in educational work.

In the second part, discussion on the topic of students with autism spectrum disorders in the regular educational system was conducted, followed by the workshop part. The introductory part began with a conversation with the participants about whether they had ever met children with PSA and whether they had worked with them, and if so, what challenges they encountered in their work. This was followed by an interactive presentation on the mentioned topic with a discussion and involvement of participants through questions and answers. In the workshop part, the participants were divided into groups, and each group received an example of one student with PSA, but with different associated developmental disabilities, and one of the subjects taught in lower grades of elementary schools. The task was to list and describe adaptations for the student in the given subject (methods, work tools and environment).



RADIONICA „RAD S UČENICIMA
S TEŠKOTAMA U RAZVOJU I
UČENICIMA S POREMEĆAJIMA
IZ SPEKTRA AUTIZMA U
REDOVNOM ODGOJNO -
OBRAZOVNOM SUSTAVU“,
PUČKO OTVORENO UČILIŠTE
VARAŽDIN

Lika-Senj County

GOSPIĆ: workshop "Empowerment of teaching assistants", Public Open College "Dr. Ante Starčević"

The emphasis of the workshop was on the challenges of teaching assistants in providing support to students with developmental disabilities during field trips, excursions, and other forms of educational activities (such as, for example, going to theatre performances, cinema, library, museum, exhibitions, various manifestations, etc.) in the location, but also outside the location where the primary or secondary school is situated. The workshop was led by Ivona Hećimović, mag. rehab. educ., and Maja Rukavina, professor of pedagogy, in cooperation with Danijel Čorić, coordinator of the implementation of educational programs in POU Gospić. Teaching assistants from primary and secondary schools participated in a short introductory lecture, followed by the workshop, who shared their personal experiences and observations in their work and asked various questions and doubts related to students' difficulties, but also their work in teaching in general.



GOSPIĆ: workshop "Making ornaments by dry wool felting", Public Open College "Dr. Ante Starčević"

The workshop was led by Dragica Rogić, expert associate for traditional culture programs at POU Gospić, in cooperation with Danijel Čorić, coordinator of the implementation of educational programs in POU Gospić. With a short introductory lecture, the trainer introduced the participants of the workshop to the dry felting technique, which is done by poking wool fibres with felting needles on a spongy surface. The participants, using wool of different colours and various moulds, made floral and other ornaments/patterns and shapes.



RADIONICA „IZRADA ORNAMENTA
SUHIM FILCANJEM VUNE“, PUČKO
OTVORENO UČILIŠTE „DR. ANTE
STARČEVIĆ“

Istria County

UMAG: workshop "Zero waste", Public Open College "Ante Babić"

In the introductory part of the workshop, the attendants were briefly presented with the "Lifelong Learning Week" campaign and the importance of encouraging and promoting adult learning and education. During the two-day activities, the attendants gained theoretical knowledge about the way of life with minimal waste, about the importance of preserving the environment, about the possibilities of household maintenance with ecological cleaning products, especially kitchen and bathroom cleaning products. The attendants were able to apply the acquired knowledge and made several cleaning products and an ecological soap.



Brod-Posavina County

SLAVONSKI BROD: workshop "Our everyday money", High School Matija Antun Reljković

The workshop was conducted with the aim of raising awareness among citizens in making correct financial decisions and acquiring basic knowledge about personal finances with an emphasis on responsible money management.



SLAVONSKI BROD: workshop „Cosmetics according to nature“, High School Matija Antun Reljković

The goal of the workshop was to make citizens aware of harmful ingredients in cosmetics and the possibilities we have by making our own cosmetics. The theoretical part was followed by practical application, and the attendants of the workshop made their own products for body care, household maintenance and medicinal preparations using raw plant materials from their own garden.



Dubrovnik-Neretva County

DUBROVNIK: workshop "Menu engineering", School of Tourism and Hospitality

The "Menu engineering" workshop was held as part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week by Ante Kristić, a long-time teacher of the economic group of subjects, in order to promote lifelong learning at the regional level. During the workshop, the term menu engineering was explained to the attendants, how the costs of menu items are calculated, the creation of menu engineering itself and the menu engineering matrix. It was explained how to recognise the advantages offered by menu engineering when starting a business, how to determine the basic components of the price, how to recognise the role and importance of normatives, how to create normatives and calculations using the margin share in MS Excel, and showed examples of the correct form for calculating each column of the menu engineering table and creation of an engineering menu table in MS Excel.



Karlovac County

KARLOVAC: workshop "Practical application of skills in the field of public relations", Institution for adult education Praxis

The education provided attendants with practical knowledge of two very important tools in communicating with the public; press releases and press statements by educators with rich theoretical and practical knowledge in this field. Great interest was expressed in the mentioned workshop, which indicates the strengthening of citizens' awareness that lifelong learning is the answer to extremely dynamic changes in numerous segments of society and everyday life, including changes in the labour market and that, despite the existing circumstances, lifelong learning and education can and should be done.



Vukovar-Srijem County

VUKOVAR: workshop "Creating and performing a successful presentation", College Slađana Dabro

In the Slađana Dabro College as part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, a free workshop called *Creating and performing a successful presentation* was organised. The lecture was given by Gordana Nikolić, dean of PAR University College in Rijeka. The aim of the workshop was to introduce the attendants to the rules of a successful presentation and the importance of a good public performance, followed by a practical application where the attendants independently created a presentation in PowerPoint while respecting the techniques of adapting the presentation to the audience and identified the elements of a successful presentation.



VUKOVAR: workshop "Conflict - danger or opportunity", Polytechnic "Lavoslav Ružička"

As part of the 17th Week of Lifelong Learning, a creative workshop was held, the aim of which was to encourage participants to look at the conflict situation from different perspectives, to teach them how to recognise the phases and intensity of the conflict and how to react in the right way in order to resolve it.

Through an interactive lecture and a series of "stories" that aimed to raise awareness of the stages and characteristics and causes of a conflict situation, the attendants tried to better recognise themselves in a conflict, as well as how they would like to feel after a conflict situation. The *Faces* game from the so-called POY coaching game served this purpose. The attendants were divided into pairs and explained their choice in the mentioned game. There was a discussion related to the different perception of why conflicts occur and how effective are the offered techniques for solving conflict situations. The attendants were introduced to the role of communication in the service of conflict resolution with the practical exercise

Points of you (POY). At the end of the workshop, everyone had the opportunity to comment on what they learned and express suggestions, disagreements and proposals.



Primorje-Gorski Kotar County

RIJEKA: workshop „Hallo! Wie kann ich Ihnen helfen?“, Institution for adult education DANTE

The workshop *Hallo! Wie kann ich Ihnen helfen?* was conducted in two parts, and the first part of the workshop was conducted under the title *Online communication with guests*. In the introductory part, the types of online communication were discussed, and the attendants were introduced to the theory of retelling. After that, they worked on examples of written communication, and then they independently wrote e-mails and messages. In the second part of the workshop, the reception of the guest in the accommodation facility was discussed, where the attendants reflected on their own experiences, and then they listed and classified information according to the criteria of urgency and the way in which they would convey this information to the guest. They talked about potential guests and their profiles and described the profile of the guest they meet the most. Then they went through different situations of receiving a guest in an accommodation facility (when the guest arrives, stays or leaves the hotel) where they had to combine parts of the conversation or supplement it, and finally they themselves had to design a conversation in which they solve the given problem. In the final part of the workshop *Providing information on local tourist attractions*, tourist attractions that would be autochthonous local tourist attractions were identified. The workshop trainer presented the attendants with several applications through which they can provide additional content and feedback to the guest, such as Actionbound, Padlet and Google form. The workshop ended with a play of treasure hunt using the Actionbound app.



RIJEKA: workshop „Type, calculate, send!“, Institution for adult education DANTE

The goal of the workshop was to enable the attendants to acquire the basic skills needed to create documents and tables using the MS Office program package (Word, Excel) and to create, compose, and

send electronic mail. The workshop started with a discussion on the use of computer programs. After a short introduction, the basic functions of MS Word were covered, including creating a new document and formatting text using the font and paragraph menus. The focus was on the MS Excel program, where the attendants dealt with the basic functions for creating a functional table and the basics of calculations using the SUM and PRODUCT functions. At the very end, the attendants sent their work via electronic mail, respecting the principles of Internet etiquette when sending mail with an attachment.



RIJEKA: workshop „Cultural and historical heritage and gastrotourism of the Republic of Croatia“, Lifelong Education Centre at the PAR Polytechnic

Coastal cuisine, thanks to Mediterranean and maritime influences, is based on fish, shellfish, crabs, i.e. cephalopods, lamb, pasta, Mediterranean vegetables and fruits, herbs, olives and olive oil, chestnuts and wine, while the cuisine in Gorski Kotar is based on game, milk and cheese, meat and mushrooms, frogs, snails, freshwater fish, vegetables, especially potatoes and cabbage, forest fruits and spices, as well as strong alcoholic drinks, brandy, Brinjevac, honey or mead, or brandy with honey.

In addition to the two divisions of coastal and cuisine in Gorski Kotar, within the microregions there are also differences in food preparation methods. Every island, even every village, has its own way of preparing food. As part of this education, those present had the opportunity to find out what were the historical and cultural influences on the local cuisine of Coastal Croatia, what are the peculiarities of the gastronomic heritage of Coastal Croatia, what is the potential of the cultural and historical heritage or the gastronomic potential of the destination for organising tourist events, what are the traditional and autochthonous ways of preparing food and other food products, and the most interesting part was definitely tasting the autochthonous dishes of Coastal Croatia. In addition to the present tour guides who participated in the workshop in order to refresh their knowledge and learn something new, the event

attracted the interest of both young and older residents. Certainly the most memorable part of the education was tasting the dishes of Coastal Croatia. Chef Zoran Delić explained the ways of preparing traditional dishes and their importance for this climate during a short meeting with tasting.



RIJEKA: workshop „Quality management in the function of sustainable tourism development“, Lifelong Education Centre at the PAR Polytechnic

Quality management in tourism is primarily focused on the users of tourist services, through whose continuous improvement it is possible to meet or exceed customer expectations. In order to be able to meet or exceed customer expectations, organisations must fully understand all elements of tourism services that contribute value for the customer and lead to customer satisfaction and loyalty. Attendants had the opportunity to hear about the implementation of the quality assurance system in tourism, quality control of services provided in tourism, improvement of satisfaction with tourist services, organisational policies aimed at achieving excellence in tourism, the relationship between sustainable tourism and sustainable access to tourism, and the principles of sustainable development and responsible tourism. Those present could see the practice of quality management in the function of developing sustainable tourism on the example of the Hotel Hilton Rijeka Costabella. As the largest hotel complex in the area of Rijeka, they face a complex quality management process. At the end of the training, the participants asked interesting questions about the methods of implementing quality in the Hotel Hilton Rijeka Costabella, but also cited their own examples from practice of how it works in their facilities dealing with hospitality and tourism.

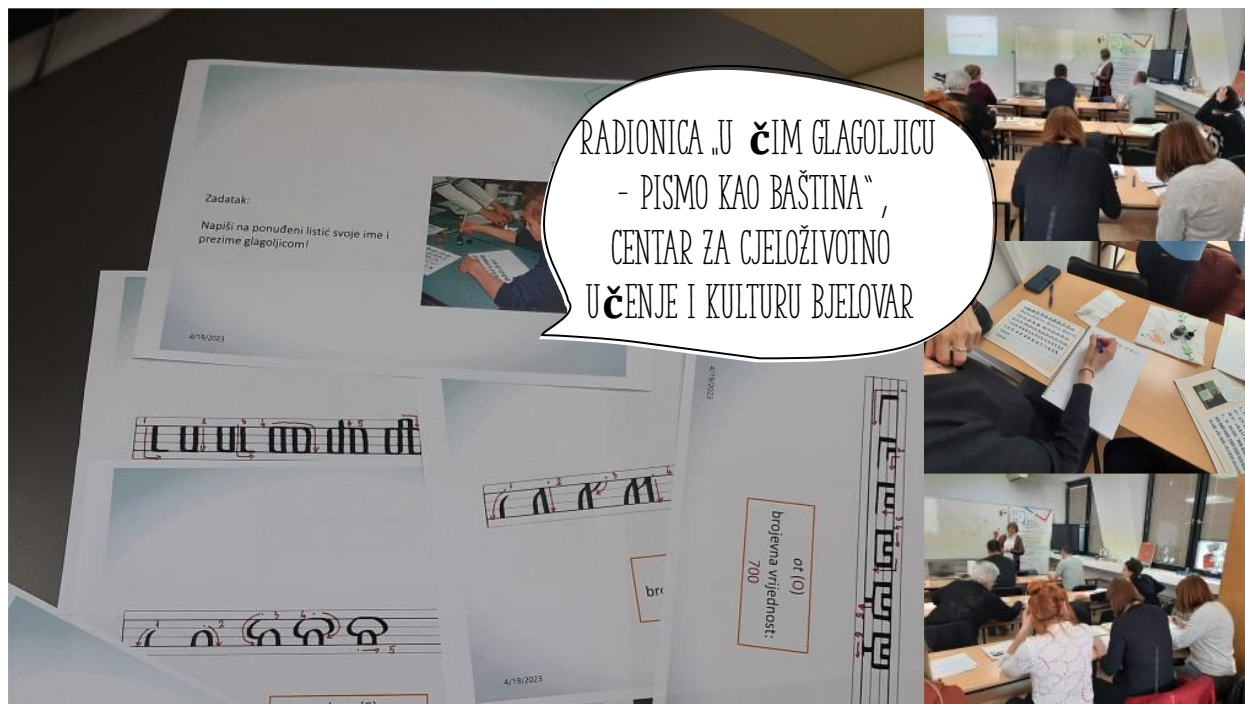


RADIONICA „UPRAVLJANJE
KVALITETOM U FUNKCIJI
RAZVOJA ODRŽIVOG
TURIZMA“, CENTAR ZA
CJELOŽIVOTNO OBRAZOVANJE
VELEUČILIŠTA PAR

Bjelovar-Bilogora County

BJELOVAR: workshop "I'm learning Glagolitic - script as heritage", Lifelong Learning and Culture Centre Bjelovar

The workshop was intended for everyone who wanted to learn more about the old Croatian script. During the course of the workshop, the attendants learned about and developed an awareness of preserving and nurturing cultural and historical heritage, writing and recognising Glagolitic letters and numbers, and the importance of promoting the Croatian language as an important factor of national identity.



BJELOVAR: workshop "Don't stop, learn all your life", Lifelong Learning and Culture Centre Bjelovar

The workshop was held as part of the 17th Week of Lifelong Learning with the aim of pointing out the importance of lifelong learning, and attendants were presented with bright examples of people who changed their life path precisely through informal education.



RADIONICA „NEMOJ STATI, U
CIJELI ŽIVOT“, CENTAR ZA
CJELOŽIVOTNO UČENJE I KULTURU
BJELOVAR

OVERVIEW OF EVENTS BY COUNTIES IN 2023

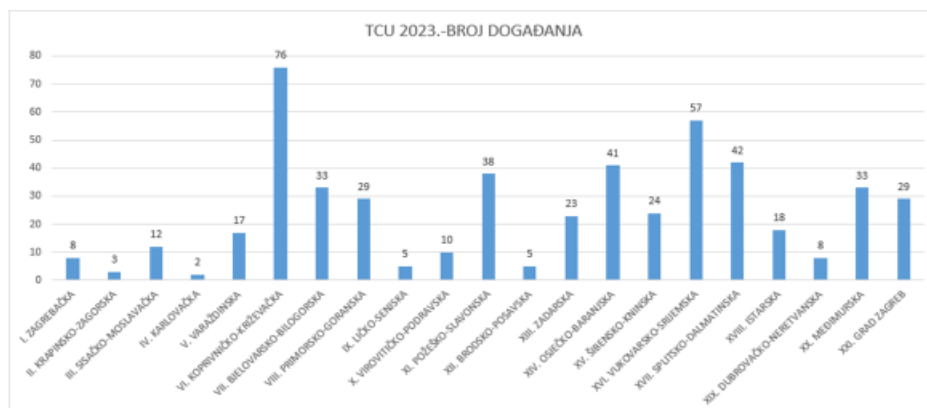
AFTER THE OPENING OF THE WEEK, A SERIES OF INTERESTING EVENTS FOLLOWED IN THE ENTIRE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA...

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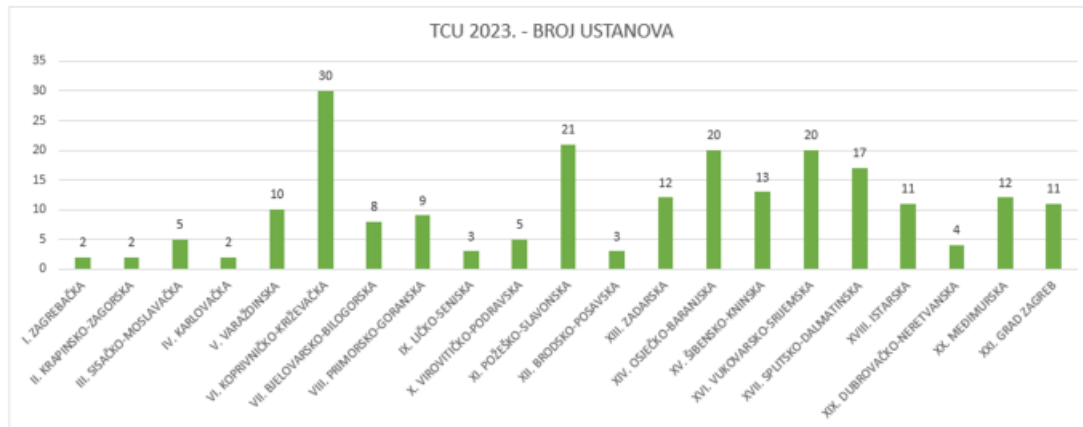
This is supported by statistics on the number of events held and institutions involved in celebration the Lifelong Learning Week campaign. Let's have a look!

Number of events held in the period from 17 to 23 April 2023.



ODRŽANO 513 DOGAĐANJA

The number of participating institutions that organised some of the events as part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week



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We would like to thank and congratulate all the educational institutions and organisations that diligently participated in the implementation of this year's Lifelong Learning Week and tried to organise numerous interesting events in all counties of the Republic of Croatia.

With your work, you have contributed to the continued raising of awareness about the importance of lifelong learning and education, and we believe that you have motivated a large number of citizens to get involved in some form of learning and at the same time to feel happy and fulfilled! Sometimes pictures speak louder than words, and you can see numerous photos of the events held on our official Facebook page of the campaign <https://www.facebook.com/TjedanCjelozivotnogUcenja/>.

Bjelovar-Bilogora County

Technical School Daruvar

Monday, 17 April 2023 The lecture *Effect of energy drinks on young people* was given by teachers Stana Lukić and Ksenija Rohlik. Students of auxiliary professions were informed about the harmful effect of energy drinks on the health of the organism. Teacher Alen Klubička held a workshop *Making animation* with the Fusion 360 program. The students created a simple 3D design with the Fusion 360 program and created an animation of the components. Lecture *Let there be ... sound!* was held by teacher Goran Repinc. Students are introduced to *What came first - sound or light? - the history of sound in different contexts, decibels and ... (ear and perception, noise, the quietest and the loudest).*

On Tuesday, 18 April 2023, the workshop *Generating G-code* from the Fusion 360 program was held with the students by the teacher Libuška Klubičko Palatinus. Teacher Katja Husak and librarian Sandra Milek held the *Let's Read Together* workshop. Students read excerpts of works on different topics and promoted reading culture, the power of words through reading and enabled each other to read with pleasure and understanding. The lecture *Age and technical condition of vehicles in the Republic of Croatia* was held by teacher Ivan Frantal, and the participants were introduced to data on the technical condition and age of vehicles in the Republic of Croatia. Teacher Željka Hodak held the *Information graphics* workshop. The students created promotional and educational materials announcing the event as part of the Media Literacy Day. Workshop *Internet addiction - truth or myth?* was held by psychologist Anita Šugić. The students listed and described the advantages and disadvantages of the "good and bad sides" of using the Internet.

Wednesday, 19 April 2023 On the occasion of the Lifelong Learning Week and the International Dark Sky Week, teacher Dunja Županić held a lecture and workshop *Let's walk the stars*, where the students were introduced to the circumpolar constellations, the quality of the night sky in our environment, and they filled in blind sky maps to inspire them to independently observe the night sky. Teacher Boris Bogdan held a lecture *Young drivers in traffic* where the participants were introduced to problems in safe traffic. Teacher Ljiljana Pilizzari Marić held the workshop *Painting wood by burning - work with a pyrograph*. Persons with disabilities and pensioners developed their creativity, motor skills and the skill of painting wood using the burning method at the workshop. Workshop *How to prepare for the labour market?* was held by pedagogue Ivana Čoban. 3rd grade students learned more about methods and techniques of active job search, available online tools and employment agencies, and wrote their first resume in Europass format.

Thursday, 20 April 2023 The *Google tools* workshop was held by the teacher Krešimir Ećimović, where students were introduced to Google tools and their application. Teacher Miro Kligl held a workshop *Desoldering SMD components with a hot air soldering station*, where the students were shown the technique of soldering/desoldering elements for surface mounting with a hot air soldering station. On the occasion of the Lifelong Learning Week and the International Dark Sky Week, a lecture and workshop titled *VR World* were held. The virtual reality (VR) world simulates the feeling of an artificial environment.

Lecture participants had the opportunity to try out what it feels like to replace real with virtual stimuli using Oculus quest 2 VR glasses. The workshop was held by teachers Dunja Županić and Krunoslav Kulhavi.

Friday, 21 April 2023 Teachers Zdravko Sikorora and Mario Havranek held a lecture and workshop on *High-temperature heat pumps*. The participants were introduced to high-temperature heat pumps and RES. Teacher Danko Tomašek held a *Futsal* lecture and workshop. Through the demonstration, the students were introduced to the basic rules and manner to play futsal. The workshop *Simulation and machining of the generated G-code from the Fusion 360 program* was held by teacher Dalibor Hašpl, and it demonstrated machining on a CNC machine supported by a computer (CAD/CAM technology). Teacher Ana Babić held a workshop *Selection of heating bodies*. On the floor plan template, they made the selection of heating elements, placement and installation of hot water heating supply and return.





Radionicu Oslikavanje drva paljenjem - rad s pirografom održala je nastavnica Ljiljana Pilizzari Marić.

Osobe s invaliditetom i umirovljenici su na radionici razvijali svoju kreativnost, motoriku i vještinu oslikavanja drva metodom paljenja.

Bjelovar Association for Education and Motivation BUDEM - Volunteering workshop

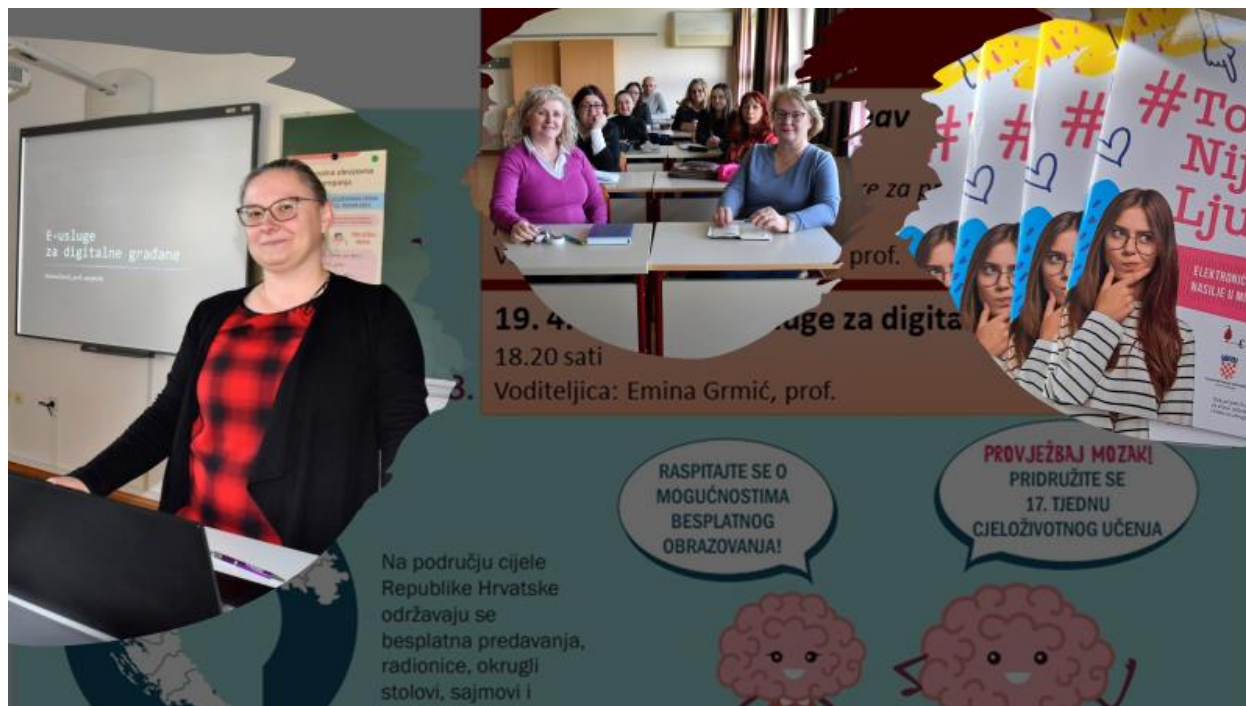
Bjelovarska udruga za edukaciju i motivaciju BUDEM

Radionica o volontiranju za učenike
Gimnazije Bjelovar. Radionicu su vodile
Marina Jurušić i Ornela Malogorski.



Commercial and Trade High School Bjelovar – workshops “Prevention of violence in youth relationships” and “E-services for digital citizens for teachers”.

On 18 April 2023, pedagogue Ornela Malogorski held a workshop for students and future peer educators on the prevention of violence in youth relationships, and on 19 April 2023, Bjelovar Technical School professor Emina Grmić held a workshop for teachers on the topic "E-services for digital citizens".



CUK Bjelovar – workshop "I'm learning Glagolitic - script as heritage"

Tjedan cjeloživotnog učenja

Učim glagoljicu - pismo kao baština

BESPLATNE RADIONICE

17. - 19. travanj

OD 15:00 DO 17:00

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Radionice "Učim glagoljicu - pismo kao baština" Radionice su bile namijenjene svima koji žele naučiti više o starom hrvatskom pismu te su bile **BESPLATNE** za sve prijavljene polaznike. Radionice su se održavale od ponedjeljka 17. travnja do srijede 19. travnja 2023. godine u prostoru učilišta. Voditeljica radionica i mentorica je Katica Šarlija, autorica „Male glagoljske početnice“, polaznica Male akademije glagoljice u Roču (Istra), a u OŠ Ivanska vodi izvannastavnu aktivnost učenja glagoljice i glagoljaškog pisma.

Tijekom trajanja radionica polaznici su imali prilike:
Upoznati i razviti svijest o čuvanju i njegovanju kulturno-povijesne baštine
Opismeniti u funkcionalnom pisanju i prepoznavanju slova i brojki glagoljice
Promicati vrijednost hrvatskog jezika kao bitnog čimbenika nacionalnog identiteta.

Brod-Posavina County

High School Matija Antun Reljković – workshop "Our everyday money"

Teachers, Prof. Irena Spasojević and Prof. Ivana Lovrenčić prepared the workshop *Our everyday money*. In order to promote lifelong learning, they organised a workshop with an emphasis on making the right financial decisions and acquiring basic knowledge about personal finances and responsible money management.

Participants were introduced to:

- risks in managing personal finances,
- money management skills and understanding of banking services,
- choosing the best loan,
- different ways of smart money management and investment methods and
- choosing the best savings and investments.

With that workshop, they showed just how needed and necessary financial literacy is and why it is important to know how to manage personal finances. Saving is a habit acquired from childhood, and we can only invest in what we understand.

Teachers Jelena Đurđević, mag. ing. agr., and Ivana Petrošaneć Pišl, mag. ing. agr., have prepared for the public a superb, methodically modern and, for today, extremely necessary workshop - *Cosmetics according to nature*. Through workshop activities, they taught us the production of cosmetic products in accordance with the nature. From planting, growing, and picking plants through their technological processing to the finished product – and all in the same house, because in our school garden grow all the necessary ingredients for – household preparations, medicinal preparations, and body care. With these workshops, we proved that cosmetics can be tailored to nature and that there are alternatives to parabens, surfactants, ethanolamines, triclosan, polyacrylamides, UV filters, formaldehyde, and synthetic fragrances.



Eko Brezna Association – workshop "Vulnerability of Croatian agriculture to climate change - mitigation measures and adaptation through strategic plans at the national level and strategies of LAGs at the local level"

As part of the *Good Climate for Tourism* project, and on the occasion of the Lifelong Learning Week, the Eco Brezna Association organised a panel discussion on the topic "Vulnerability of Croatian agriculture to climate change - mitigation measures and adaptation through strategic plans at the national level and strategies of LAGs at the local level" which included the presentation under the title "Presenting Rural Development Program (Strategic Plan of the Common Agricultural Policy 2023- 2027) with an emphasis on the area of adaptation to climate change in the agricultural sector" held by Josip Glavačević, head of LAG Slavonska ravnica.



Public Open College Libar - BIOENZIM workshop - miraculous solution

Dubrovnik-Neretva County

Lifelong Learning Fair

The activities of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week began on Monday, 17 April, with the Opening Ceremony in the Student Centre in Dubrovnik. After the Opening Ceremony, with the aim of bringing the idea of lifelong learning closer to the target groups of this campaign, the 15th Lifelong Learning Fair was held in the Student Centre in Dubrovnik. At the Fair, numerous institutions for adult education presented to the public the adult education programs they implement.



Europe Direct Neretva – Dubrovnik

EUROPE DIRECT of the Dubrovnik-Neretva County (DNŽ) participated in the Lifelong Learning Week!

On this occasion, the representatives of the EUROPE DIRECT DNŽ Centre from the ESN Dubrovnik Association informed the participants in an interactive way about the EU institutions, the digital and green transition, the NextGenerationEU aid package and the European Year of Skills, and the main focus was on the upcoming European Parliament elections in 2024.

The special stand of the EUROPE DIRECT DNŽ Centre offered the opportunity to participate in a prize quiz through which visitors to the event received interesting prizes by answering questions about the EU. Also, at the stand, you could express your opinion and write on the poster the changes that the citizens want the newly elected parliamentarians to introduce. This interactive approach enabled the participants to actively participate in the event and the opportunity to learn more about European priorities, among which lifelong learning is continuously promoted.



City of Zagreb

ORSUS College – Open House Day

On Monday, 17 April 2023, the Open House Day was celebrated in the premises of the ORSUS College as part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week. All programs available at the ORSUS College are presented through promotional materials and brochures. ORSUS College thus offers verified programs, trainings, courses for adults, workshops for adults and young people, seminars, and webinars. Everyone who decided to enrol in some of the educational programs received an additional five percent discount on the total tuition fee. Jasmina Čaušević, head of marketing and sales, gave a presentation to the gathered participants about the free programs of the ORSUS College available through HZZ vouchers for education, and business process manager Ranka Tejić presented the school and the services it provides. On the Open House Day, ORSUS College was visited by 10 potential attendants interested in free training programs. The principal of the college, Tomislav Katic, and Jasmina Čaušević, the head of marketing and sales, welcomed the gathered and then took them through the premises of the ORSUS College.



Magistra College – workshop „How to write a good resume”

As a part of the Lifelong Learning Week, the Magistra College organised a free two-day workshop on "How to write a good CV". The workshop was attended by 10 participants who were shown by example how to write a high-quality resume and how to present themselves to an employer when responding to a job ad. We wish them luck in their new business challenges!

Nacionalna obrazovna kampanja



17. TJEDAN CJELOŽIVOTNOG UČENJA
OD 17. DO 23. TRAVNJA 2023.

Na području cijele Republike Hrvatske održavaju se besplatna predavanja, radionice, okrugli stolovi, sajmovi i slična događanja.



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Istria County

Elementary School Juraj Dobrila Rovinj – workshop „Secrets of Assertive Communication“

During the Lifelong Learning Week, the school psychologist, with the help of computer science teacher Igor Dobrača, held informative and computer workshops and educations with the students of the 5th, 7th, and 8th grades. Brochures from the Rovinj-Rovigno Youth Council on the topic "Secrets of Assertive Communication" were distributed to the students. The concept of assertiveness and an assertive style of communication was explained to them, which they had the opportunity to practice through specific examples. Also, all students filled out an online questionnaire on assertiveness. Students are introduced to digital materials and applications that promote mental health (STELLA), development of cognitive functions and stimulation of critical thinking (DAILY ART), language learning applications (DUOLINGO), an application that through a series of games improves memory, speed of thinking and solving tasks (LUMOSITY), an application for the development of verbal intelligence and memory (KHAN ACADEMY) and an application focused on brain exercises based on positive psychology (HAPPYFY!). Since most of the material offered is available on the Internet and in the form of various applications, the students showed interest and enthusiasm in what was presented and explored the possibilities of the found applications with a positive attitude.



OŠ Jurja Dobrile Rovinj

Public Open College Ante Babić Umag – Final Conference of the EDIT project

On Friday, 21 April 2023, as part of the activities of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, the Final Conference of the EDIT project, co-financed from the Erasmus+ program, KA2 - Strategic Partnerships for Innovation, was held at the Public Open College "Ante Babić" after three years of intensive activities, in which the following institutions for adult education participated: OÜ Innowise (Estonia), Arbeit und Leben DGB/VHS NRW e.V. (Germany), CEAD Professor Félix Pérez Parilla (Gran Canaria, Spain). At the Final Conference, the intellectual results of the project - curriculum for instructional designers in adult education, as well as other realised specific goals - were presented, such as education for two trainers/mentors from each

country and education in which 10 teachers/associates of Umag College and andragogical staff of the Public Open College Poreč and Diopter Open College Pula participated. At the Final Conference, certificates for instructional designers in adult education were presented to the attendants of the training, after which the participants continued with informal socialising. On 18 April 2023, the two-day **ZERO WASTE** workshop, which was successfully led by associate Anamarija Prgomet, ended with the distribution of Certificates of Participation.

As a part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, participants of the College for the Third Age and other visitors listened to a presentation about GRUAM, wooden cranes for boats. Biljana Bojić and Barbara Crnobori, employees of the Museum of the City of Umag, presented the traditional heritage of this region using multimedia.



Diopter Open College

At the Diopter Open College three great topics were organised, that awakened the creativity of the participants, helped in marketing communication, and made life easier!

17 April 2023 – 1. Let your creativity explode with the help of the design tool Canva!

18 April 2023 – 2. The role of social media in marketing communication

19 April 2023 – 3. You should also try! With one click get the more important documents through the e-Citizens system.

The lectures were open to all who were interested and were held in the premises of Diopter.



 **DIOPTER**
OTVORENO UČELIŠTE - ODPRAZNAKAZI ODRASTAN

17. TJEDAN

CJELOŽIVOTNOG UČENJA

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ULOGA DRUŠTVENIH MEDIJA U
MARKETINŠKOJ KOMUNIKACIJI

19/04
17:30

PROBAJTE I VII KLIKOM DO VAŽNIJIH
DOKUMENATA UZ SUSTAV E-GRADANI

Pridruži se besplatnim radionicama!



Public Open College Poreč

On the occasion of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, a workshop on Art Therapy was held at the Open Public College Poreč. The participants tested the possibilities and benefits of using art therapy in the classroom and took home ideas that will be useful in their future work. After the children's creative workshop held on 18 April 2023, the children's heads became colourful! The employees of the College decided that their hair ornaments would suit the spring sun. The workshop was held as part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week organised by the Education Department of the Open Public College Poreč.



Pula Medical School – lecture "In the right place at the right time".

Under the mentorship of teacher Sanja Benazić-Kliba, the students of the Medical School of General Care Nurse/Technician from the 4th a grade department prepared a lecture and workshop in Croatian and English for school students and for guest students from Lithuania who visited them as a part of the Erasmus+ project. The topic of the lecture was "In the right place at the right time".



Karlovac County

College Praxis Karlovac

On 18 April 2023, the Praxis College in Karlovac, under the leadership of the renowned communication expert Krešimir Macan, was the main destination for all those eager for new knowledge. What are the qualities of a PR specialist, how to get the media interested in your story and make a good public appearance were just some of the topics. The idea was to explain the basics of public relations. Although it is a familiar field, marketing is constantly changing. With the advent of digital media and social networks, everything is changing, so, for example, ads and articles were not paid before, but today it is completely normal, and that is exactly why we wanted to explain public relations in the introduction. After that, with regard to lifelong learning, we wanted to demonstrate practical skills. We showed how to reach the media in an interesting way and write a press release. We practiced how to give a good statement to the media and how to prepare. PR is getting better today because people recognise it as a necessity. It is important to develop communication skills because this is how "PR can be done effectively", said Krešimir Macan, communication consultant and PR expert. The attendants did not hide their enthusiasm for the workshop, which was followed by praise, but also wishes for more opportunities like this. Investing in knowledge and daily skill refinement is something that always pays off many times over. "Only through continuous learning do we increase our competitiveness, employability, and get involved in all aspects of social life, strengthen self-confidence, develop creativity, and, especially at the Praxis College, communication and presentation skills; which according to research are emphasised as increasingly important skills of quality employees", said Karolina Horvatinčić, director of the Praxis College.



Učilište Praxis Karlovac

Public Open College Ogulin

On the first two days of the campaign, at Public Open College Ogulin a *Career counselling session on the selection of programs and opportunities* was held for all interested attendants and participants of the Public Open College Ogulin program. The Ogulin Women's Association conducted an excellent education on *How to prepare traditional dishes from the Ogulin region*. On the third day of the campaign, several *Career counselling sessions on program selection and opportunities* were held for all interested students and participants of the Public Open College Ogulin program. The Frankopan Art Society in cooperation with the Ogulin Youth Club, the Ogulin Women's Association and the Ogulin Student Home held an excellent art workshop of painting with acrylic colours and introducing *découpage* (napkin technique). You can view the works in the entrance hall of POU Ogulin, entrance from Trg Petra Stipetića. The Frankopan Art Society conducts workshops with targeted groups of attendants every Wednesday. The workshops are co-financed by means of the public tender for culture and technical culture of the City of Ogulin and are held in the area of POU Ogulin as part of the CSO Incubator program. The final activity was the *CSO Incubator*, consulting on the possibilities of financing and co-financing, the creation and preparation of new projects and their realisation. The Days of Media Literacy were also marked in Ogulin elementary schools, and the travel stories of Damir Šantek "Where Thoughts Disappear" were held in the City Library.



Ogulin Women's Association – workshop „How to prepare traditional dishes from the Ogulin region“

The Ogulin Women's Association conducted an excellent education on *How to prepare traditional dishes from the Ogulin region* in cooperation with the Public Open College, which this week joined the Lifelong Learning Week, where the goal is to raise awareness of the importance of learning and education.



UDRUGA ŽENA OGULIN I EDUKACIJA O PRIPREMANJU
TRADICIJSKIH JELA

Koprivnica-Križevci County

Elementary School Fran Koncelak Drnje - workshop on emotions and reading

On 21 April 2023, school librarian Stjepana Kadić held a workshop on emotions and reading with students of the 3rd grade from Drnje. After getting acquainted with emotions in the book *The Emociometer of Inspector Crock* by Susanna Isern, the librarian read them the therapeutic story *Girl and Happiness* by Irena Orlović. After that, the students named the emotions they recognised in the story and talked about their emotions that they encounter on a daily basis. The second activity was held in the school library and was intended for teachers. Workshop *How to work with difficult parents?* was held by Dijana Mateša, English language teacher at Koprivnica Secondary School, drama pedagogue and psychodrama practitioner. The participants of the workshop openly discussed the situations in which they used to find themselves, the stress that faithfully accompanies them and possible solutions in demanding situations. The workshop was dominated by a positive and soothing atmosphere that comforted and encouraged all participants.



Polytechnic Križevci – workshop „STEM loves Križevci“

From 17 to 23 April 2023, during the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, the education "STEM loves Križevci" was held for students of the Križevci University of Applied Sciences, organised by the Križevci association P.O.I.N.T. with the Foundation for Local Development and Solidarity "I love Križevci" and partners within the EU project "SPARK - Synergy of Naturalists, Astronomers, Computer Scientists of Križevci". At the end, thirteen attendants received certificates of successful completion of the education.



Veleučilište u Križevcima

„STEM voli Križevce“

Museum of the city of Koprivnica – exhibition of handicrafts

During the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, students of the 3rd c grade of the Antun Nemčić Gostovinski Elementary School and users of the Elderly Care Facility in Koprivnica participated in the museum's playroom for children and adults and played together traditional games that were really cool! An exhibition of handicrafts created as a continuation of the embroidery workshop "Embroidery knot" led by Marija Mesarić was opened at the Pensioner Volunteer Pensioners' Club. In addition to the works created at the workshop, the exhibition also presented the works of the members of the Club, which are part of the family heritage.



Centre for Upbringing and Education Podravina Sun

During the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, the students of Podravina Sun participated in three activities:

students of III and IV grade have on 18 April 2023 participated in the Workshop on means of transportation through time – *We travel the road in the museum*; on 19 April 2023, students of the V grade with their Croatian language teacher and students of the III r grade (majoring in pharmacology) of Koprivnica High School participated in the workshop *I am telling you the story of Elmer the elephant*; 20 April 2023, students of the I and II grade visited PŠ Srijem and together with the students of I and IV class of PŠ Srijem participated in the t-shirt painting workshop.



Public Open College Koprivnica – workshop "Creating terrariums and mini-kindergartens"

Creating terrariums and mini-kindergartens was held for the attendants by arrangement maestro Tihomir Koščak from Flower shop Luna in the Small Stage area of the Domoljub Hall, Koprivnica. With a little imagination and Tihomir's guidance, all the nurseries and terrariums became small works of art in which the attendants wove a part of their personality, love, and imagination. At the end of the workshop, the attendants took their works home to beautify their homes with the works of their hands. The *Painting Workshop* was led by Andreja Živko, painter and artist. We have no doubt that at this workshop the attendants also enjoyed transferring their creativity to the painting canvas. At the *Artistic Fractals* workshop with Adrijana Gajski, the participants drew with their eyes closed and let themselves be creatively expressed from within. At the *Creating a visual brand identity* workshop, which was held at the Public Open College Koprivnica by their external associate, Iva Horvat, the attendants had the opportunity to learn a few lessons in digital marketing. Iva revealed to the attendants how to make a good visual for a story/post, how to make a good advertisement, poster, e-mail signature, newsletter, how to follow trends on Instagram and Facebook, how to edit a video and a few other marketing tricks. The participants learned *How to communicate with different types of people* at Ante Mihaljević's workshop, which was educational and fun, and the participants learned whether they are eagles, parrots, turtledoves, or owls. The

participants found out whether children's play can be aggressive and whether learning can be fun at the workshop *The influence of aggressive play on children's development*, which was led by their co-worker, Ana-Marija Nikolić. Did you know that Sting produces biodynamic wines on his estate in Tuscany? This is just one of the interesting facts that the participants learned from Mrs. Dijana Posavec, director of the Centre Rudolf Steiner, Dr., who introduced the participants to the basics of biodynamic agriculture. Sustainable agricultural practice is an important topic that needs to be talked about a lot and given even more attention. The *Konnichiwa, sushi* workshop was more than interesting. Psychologist Jasmina Šandor, who lived in Japan for a year and a half thanks to a scholarship from the Japanese Ministry of Education, revealed interesting facts about Japanese culture, language and writing and answered numerous questions from the attendants about life in Japan. Cooking teacher Ksenija Sedlanić and pedagogue Tomislav Terstenjak gave the participants a Japanese gastronomic experience. They prepared unusual Japanese teas, told interesting facts about sushi, and then the attendants had the opportunity to learn how to make sushi.



After a short introductory lecture at the workshop entitled *Make-up&wine* about make-up trends throughout history, the participants learned how to apply makeup for a daytime look, how to apply makeup for an evening out, and learned a few more useful make-up tips and tricks. The creative and interesting *ŠIBAona* workshop was held by Ivana Vranar and Petra Jakupec, who showed the attendants how to decorate wreaths made of wicker (*šiba*). The attendants could take the beautifully decorated wreaths with them and decorate their homes.

The last workshop was led by the external associate of the College, pedagogue Tomislav Terstenjak, and besides the classroom, the workshop also took place in the corridors of the College, where the attendants of the program and lecturers also joined. The participants practiced social skills, learned the secrets of productive chatting, discovered the power of body language in establishing contacts, enjoyed socialising, and made new acquaintances.



Public Open College Križevci – workshop „Let's prepare the house for the climate crisis”

Public Open College Križevci celebrated the 17th Lifelong Learning Week with a workshop entitled "Let's prepare the house for the climate crisis" of the lecturer Veljko Arman Linta, Master of Architecture Engineering. Everyone gathered was welcomed by the director of the Public Open College Križevci, Prof. Željka Šunjić, and the professional associate Ana-Maria Rešetar; together with lecturer, Veljko Arman Linta, they introduced the topic of the workshop. The workshop began with an interactive lecture on the climate crisis and its impact on everyday life, after which, by using concrete examples of residential units, they developed ideas on how to prepare houses for the climate crisis.

The gathered attendants learned something more about the collection and use of rainwater, the utilisation of wastewater, solar and photovoltaic systems, the best types of insulation and carpentry, and successfully applied what they learned on concrete examples. The working atmosphere was additionally enriched by pleasant socialising with coffee and Kruževac dumplings (štrukle).



National library Virje – workshop „Storytelling in upbringing and education - intensive for educators”

On the occasion of the Lifelong Learning Week, for the teachers of the Zrno Virje Kindergarten the education „Storytelling in education - intensive for educators” was held. In four days of workshops and exercises, educators learned more about storytelling and how it can be a great support for learning and healthy development. The education was characterised by a magical atmosphere worthy of fairy tales and stories.



Narodna knjižnica Virje

"Storytelling u odgoju i obrazovanju - intenziv za odgajatelje"

Crafts School Koprivnica

On 20 April 2023, students of the 1st and 1st e grades had the opportunity to participate in an interesting interactive workshop held by members of the Kamengrad Scouting Squad. The workshop presented the basics of the scouting movement, the values that scouting promotes, and the skills that can be learned within the scope of scouting activities. After the presentation, the students actively participated in several fun activities prepared for them by the scouts. In addition to the classic scout game of "grab the scarf" and carrying a relay, the students also got to know the way of communicating with flags, known as the "traffic light", and they also got to know the values of teamwork. In addition to having a good time at the workshop, the students learned new skills and learned something new about scouting.



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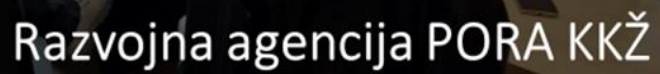
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The Little Prince Association Đurđevac

The second day of the Lifelong Learning Week was dedicated by the Association's staff to the image and work of Ivana Brlić Mažuranić. Why? For the reason that she is the Croatian Andersen, the author of literary works that are dear to them, such as *The Marvellous Adventures of Hlapić the Apprentice* and *Croatian Tales of Long Ago*, but also because it was Ivana's birthday that day, 18th of April! The attendants had the opportunity to learn a lot about Ivana with the help of her illustrated biography. They found out that she lived in Ogulin, Zagreb, and Slavonski Brod, that in her time there were trams, but they were pulled by horses, that she attended primary school, which became compulsory thanks to her grandfather, Ban (viceroy) Ivan Mažuranić. They then split into two groups and demonstrated their knowledge by playing their own version of a pub quiz. They also made colourful portraits of Ivana, because "when you're happy, the sun chases you!" They dedicated the third day of lifelong education to the topic of a healthy life. There is never enough knowledge on how to take care of yourself, and we know that a large part of health starts from nutrition. Proper nutrition and exercise go hand in hand, so the attendants exercised their bodies with agile sports games, also preparing for Saturday's sports games. They concluded the Lifelong Learning Week with a beautician and hairdressing self-care workshop. Thanks to their friends from the Đurđevac Vocational School, they dressed up, relaxed, and received first-hand professional advice on how to properly care for themselves, their skin, hair, and nails. The wonderful team of the 2nd grade of the vocational school with their teachers devoted all their professional and friendly attention to them, thanks to which the students now have new hairstyles, nourished skin, manicured nails, and even (temporary) artistic tattoos! We thank them from the bottom of our heart!



On 19 April 2023, 'volume 2' of the Info Day was held for institutions in the fields of education, science, and culture. Colleagues Marina, Tamara, Vedrana and Petra presented tenders within the Transnational and International Cooperation Program for the period 2021–2027: Interreg Europe, Interreg Central Europe, Interreg IPA Adria, Interreg VI-A Cross-Border Cooperation Program Hungary-Croatia.



Krapina-Zagorje County

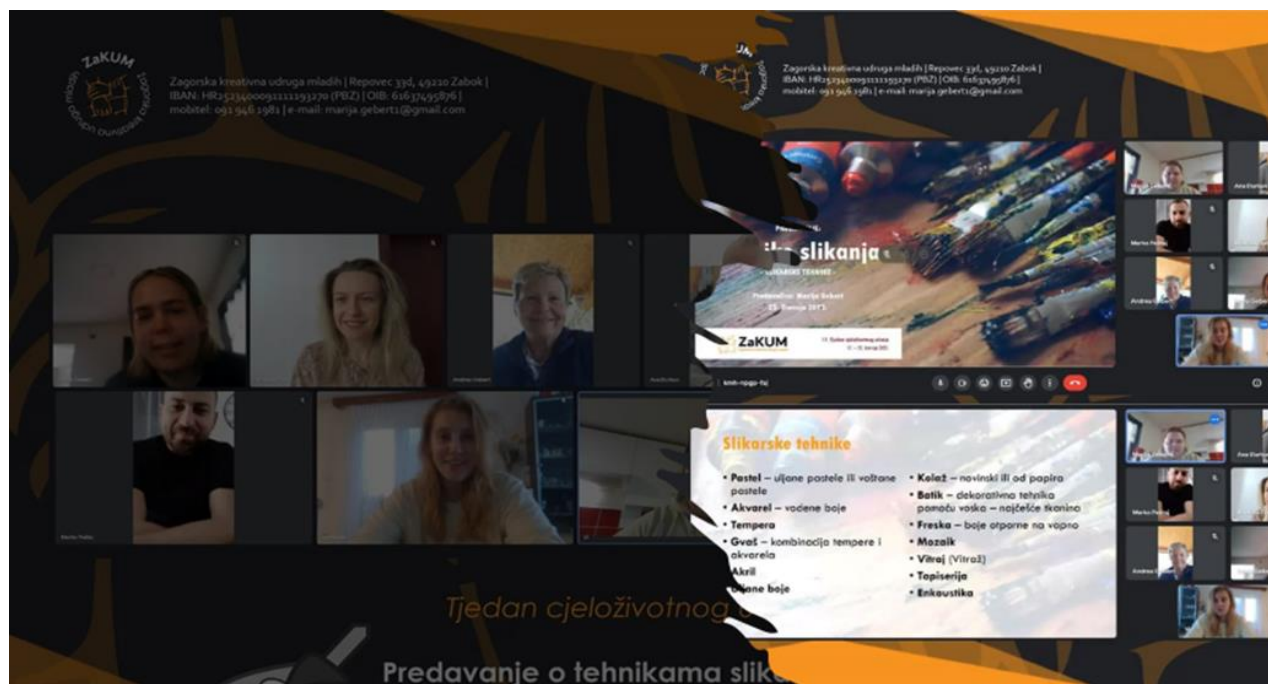
Public Open College Krapina

Public Open College Krapina is always "lively", especially during Lifelong Learning Week, the 17th in a row, in which POU actively participated. Currently, more than 150 attendants are taking some of the formal or informal educational programs at POU Krapina. 12 accountants, 12 project management assistants and 14 forklift operators in the warehouse decided to use the vouchers for education at POU Krapina. Five attendants are taking computer operator training, and three educational groups of 20 children are taking Aloha mental arithmetic training. About fifty students of the School of Rock and Modern Music attend music workshops once a week, and the music workshops entitled "Improvisation is a game" were held for them by the famous Croatian musician Jurica Leikauff. In view of the changes introduced by the Act on the Sustainable Use of Pesticides, on 18 April supplementary training on the sustainable use of pesticides was conducted for about 50 attendants whose certificates for the purchase of means for treating plants had expired. A cinema screening of the film "The Diary of Paulina P.", directed by the Croatian director and screenwriter Danijel Šuljić, was also organised for students of the lower grades of elementary schools, and a screening of the film "Dungeons & Dragons: Honor Among Thieves" for high school students.



Zagorje Creative Youth Association

As a part of the Lifelong Learning Week, an online lecture on painting techniques was held on 22 April 2023. The coordinator of the Zagorje Creative Association explained to the attendants what painting is and what all the techniques are, how they are used and which painting technique is the simplest and most convenient today. It's never too late to learn, and creativity is in all of us!



Lika-Senj County

Public Open College Gospić

During Lifelong Learning Week, we empowered teaching assistants with an interactive workshop led by Ivona Hećimović, mag. rehab. educ., and Maja Rukavina, pedagogy professor.

A workshop called *Making ornaments by dry wool felting* was also held.



Međimurje County

"Nikola Zrinski" Library, Čakovec

A workshop for sixth graders on the topic of *Fake News* was held at the "Nikola Zrinski" Library in Čakovec. The topic of the workshop was critical reflection on the media and recognition of fake news in the world of media. The students received useful tips and methods on how to recognise fake news and misinformation and participated in solving quizzes and group activities.

During the Lifelong Learning Week, two kindergarten groups came to visit the library, the cheerful little Cherries from the "Cvrčak" Kindergarten and the Balls group from the Zvončić kindergarten from Nedelišće. The employees took out picture books, professional books on cool science and performed a couple of "spells", that is, scientific experiments. Don't worry, no one got hurt because they only chemicals which were used were those which kids can find in mom's or grandma's kitchen. What were they doing? They used magic (magnetic) lollipops to pull objects out of flour and sugar and observed what type of object the magnetic lollipops attracted - a metal nail, nuts, plastic beads, or wooden buttons, and learned something about magnets and magnetism. They also observed how water flows from one glass jar to the other and thus learned how plants are fed. What happens when we mix oil and water to which we have added food colouring? If you also want to do experiments at home, you can borrow cool science books from the Children's Department.

On Thursday, 27 April 2023, as part of the "Let's Flourish" project, in cooperation with the Institute for Public Health of Međimurje County, the topic of planet Earth was covered on the occasion of the international day of the same name. They read the story "Greed" from the collection "Children's Worlds" by Josip Balaško and the picture book "I can save the world." Based on what they read, they wrote letters to the mayor, the school director, Međimurje Water Management, parents and children-activists, and then they read an excerpt from the book "We are here, here we are" by Oliver Jeffers, in which it was stated how important respect, understanding, and tolerance are. With the picture book "We all count", they asked the question what is the meaning of life - to which the children gave the answer - to preserve life. But how? Think about it... Thank you to the children of 4th b grade of the III Čakovec Primary School, who diligently come to each of our meetings and diligently fulfil every task given to them, and participate constructively and intelligently in the discussions.



Public Open College Čakovec – workshop „Preparation of the traditional Međimurje layer pastry (gibanica)“

A workshop on the preparation of traditional Međimurje layer pastry (gibanica), led by Anica Narandža, was successfully held. The attendants had the opportunity to learn/repeat the process of making Međimurje gibanica and at the very end, taste what they prepared!

The amigurumi doll making workshop led by Marijana Haman (Mari-Story) was successfully completed.



**PUČNO OTVORENO
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ČAKOVEC**
Tijekom cjelodnevne
učionice 2023.

TERMIN	NAZIV AKTIVNOSTI
18.04. 15:00	Završna konferencija projekta ESF-a "IKT Cloud-IO"
18.04. 17:00	Fake news: Kričko promišljanje medija***
19.04. 17:00	Amigurumi lutka: Hekljanje je ponovno in!***
21.04. 09:00	Priprema tradicionalne međimurske gibanice***
21.04. 11:00	Oboji svijet u zeleno: Interaktivno predavanje povodom Dana planete Zemlje
24.04. 16:00	Sigurni i konkurentni na internetu: Sigurnost na internetu B Kako prodati i faze odluke o kupnji***
25.04. 17:00	Foto radionica***

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Metal Core Čakovec

Metal Core Čakovec is an institution for research and development in the field of technologies and processes in the metal industry. The activities of the Metal Core are focused on research work and the creation of new applicable knowledge, support for innovative startup companies in the implementation of innovative ideas, acceleration of technological development, improvement of the integration of the research and business sectors, and the transfer of knowledge. It also acts as a point of connection and cooperation of the economic sector with scientific and research organisations and educational institutions and contributes to lifelong learning. Metal Core is equipped with state-of-the-art 3D printers for digital production from polymers and metals, a measuring system for 3D optical measurement, a welding simulator and software for reverse engineering, 3D modelling and casting simulation. As part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week the goal was to introduce ourselves to potential associates and present them with the equipment and its possibilities. Also, visitors and all those interested could find out all the details about the work of the institution and the implemented projects as well as the possibilities of cooperation.

A lecture on additive technology was held, the lecturer of which was Marina Grabar Branilović, PhD. The aim of the workshop was to get acquainted with additive technology - technology of the 21st century. The attendants learned how we can apply 3D technology in today's world and were introduced to the world of 3D modelling and printing models on a 3D printer using concrete examples. At the end, the attendants were presented with the work of industrial 3D printers for printing from plastic and metal, as well as the advantages of using additive technology compared to conventional production methods. The lecture titled "How to get a job" was held by lecturer Zoran Kadežabek, inf. The topics of the workshop were employment, self-employment, today's expectations, and the importance of education and training, career, moving to another company due to better conditions, better paid works, etc. During the lecture, those interested had the opportunity to gain knowledge about how to find a job, how to apply for a job, write a good resume and motivation letter, stand out at an interview, how to present your strengths and the importance of the expected experience that is required. During the lectures, the good and bad sides of careers were presented, and an attempt was made to answer the most important questions when hiring - which jobs to choose and which to avoid; where to get a job; what occupations are in demand today; which occupations are currently well paid and which are poorly paid; the importance of experience, expertise and education when hiring. In addition, the participants learned what employers expect of them, how to manage their careers, and received the necessary information for success in studies and work. This lecture was a great opportunity for young people at the beginning of their careers and those already on the labour market to find out how they can use their knowledge and skills. Likewise, those who are not yet sure what they can do, could find out more about concrete opportunities in today's market, trends and what probably awaits them in the future.

The last in a series of workshops as part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week was the "Open House Day" during which everyone interested could see what Metal Core Čakovec does. The visitors were guided through the institution by Ivana Mihalic Pokopec, PhD, and presented their work to them.



Elderly Care Facility Novinščak

Workshop "Smart aging - use of modern technologies"

As part of the Lifelong Learning Week, a workshop was held where users learned the basics of using a tablet (turning on the device, accessing and using the Internet, using applications, etc.). Members of the Association of Physically Disabled Persons of Međimurje County joined them at the workshop. It's never too late to learn something new!



Međimurje Technology and Innovation Centre – workshop „Man, can you throw me a cheap logo? – secrets of experienced design experts”

“Man, can you throw me a cheap logo? – secrets of experienced design experts” is the name of the workshop held in the IT classroom, led by Ivan Goričanec and Denis Perčić, experienced designers from Say yes – Design studio. At the workshop, attendants learned about the process of creating logos and different types of logos. Also, with the help of the lecturer, they had the opportunity to create their own logo and promo slogan. The workshop was organised as part of the BOND Croatia project and the Lifelong Learning Week.



Osijek-Baranja County

Engineering Technical School Osijek

Students of the 1. RT, 2. S2, 2. TE, 3. RT and 3. TE class participated in the Lifelong Learning Week by testing their acquired knowledge through the interactive Quiz "The Pursuit" created by the school psychologist Mateja Marić and the librarian Martina Plaščak.

17. Tjedan cjeloživotnog učenja

od 17. do 23. travnja 2023.

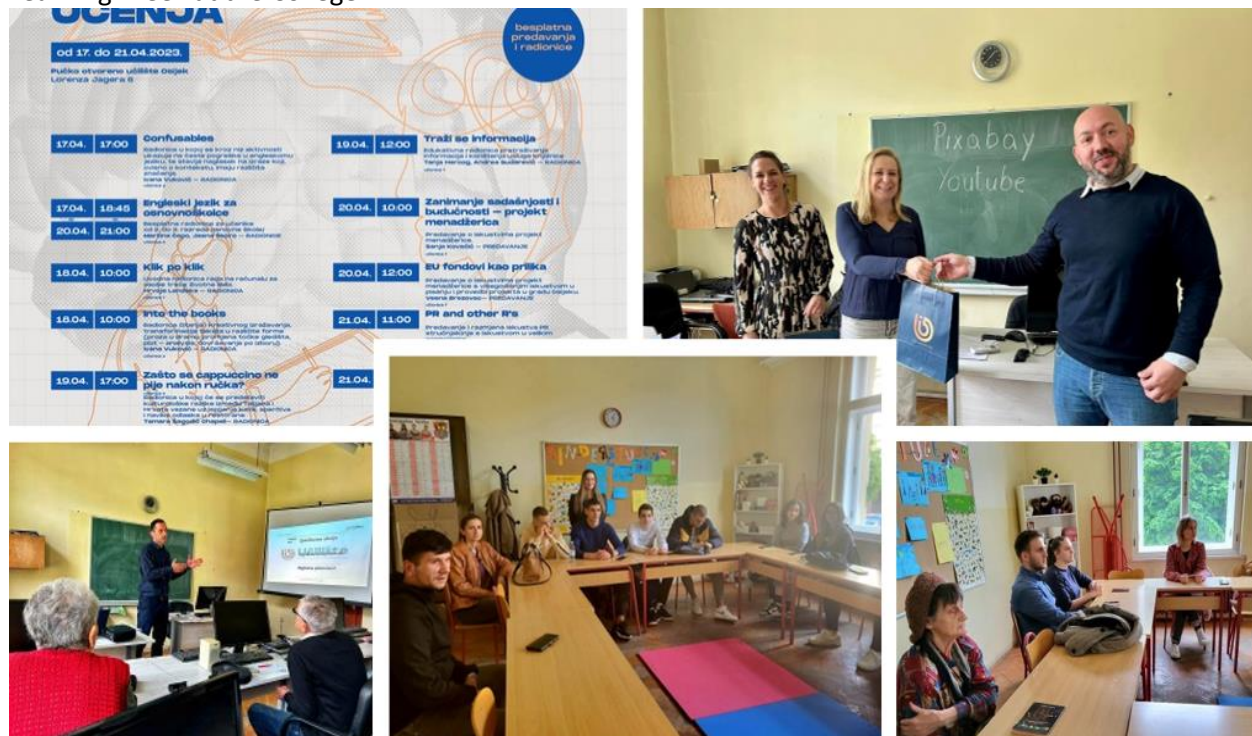
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Učenici **1.RT, 2.S2, 2.TE, 3.RT i 3.TE** sudjelovali su u TCU '23. testirajući svoje dosadašnje skupljeno znanje putem interaktivnog Kviza "*Potjera*" kojeg su izradile školska psihologinja Mateja Marić i knjižničarka Martina Plaščak.

Public Open College Osijek

As a part of the Lifelong Learning Week, a computer workshop was held for elderly people, an educational workshop on searching for information and using the services of the Osijek City and University Library, lectures on the experiences of working on EU projects by two project managers - Sanja Kovačić from the College and Vesna Brezovac from the City of Osijek, as well as the experiences of working in the PR by one public relations expert. It was relaxed, fun, and educational, we exchanged experiences and met new people. In order to spread awareness of the importance of lifelong learning, POU Osijek offered numerous free workshops that we organised for Osijek citizens of all ages and interests. The school of foreign languages organised a workshop in which, through a series of activities, frequent mistakes in the English language were pointed out, a workshop on reading and creative expression in English was held, as well as an Italian language workshop in which everyone interested could find out why *cappuccino* is drunk after lunch; and in the last workshop, the participants were taken through interesting places and cities in Russia, they got to know Russian customs and traditional cuisine, and thus concluded a truly program-rich Lifelong Learning Week at the College.



Public Open College IVAN Đakovo

Public Open College Ivan organised two workshops. On 17 April 2023, a workshop titled *Care of an elderly and demented person* was held, led by Štefica Mikšić, PhD. The attendants learned about communication with the elderly, procedures in the care of elderly and sick people, they learned the basics of gerontology, anatomy, and physiology, the fight against infections, they acquired the skill of properly setting up a patient's bed - taking an appropriate body position and using aids for the movement of the elderly and infirm persons. The workshop included the theoretical part and practical application on a specialised training dummy. The second workshop entitled *Creating a resume in the Europass application and a motivation letter* was held on 22 April 2023, and was led by Danijela Kreković, mag. oec. The participants were introduced to the basic rules of business communication and the elements necessary for creating a

resume in the Europass application, and in the second part of the workshop, the attendants learned the concept of a motivational letter and the elements important for publication in a letter. After completing the theoretical part, the attendants independently created a resume and a motivation letter using the Europass application.



Tinker Labs Đakovo

A WONDERFUL STORY FROM ĐAKOVO! Tinker Labs Đakovo offers a unique STEAM approach that includes science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics, experiments, and hands-on learning necessary for the future success of every child. Fun scientific courses were held that encourage innovation and creativity in children. The workshop was intended for children aged 4–12, and the aim is to create a positive environment in which children develop their desire for the professions of the future. Tinker Labs creates a positive academic environment that supports children's creativity, confidence, and persistence.



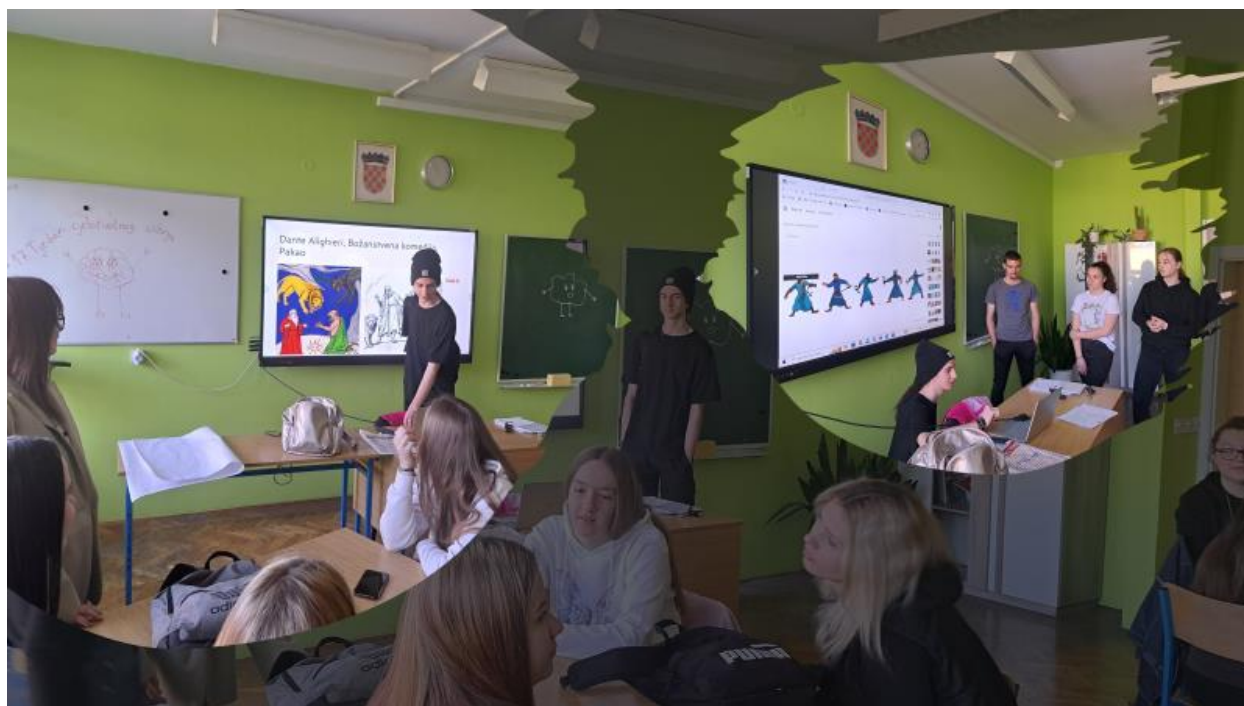
Scout Club Javor

Within the Ernestinovo Scout Camp, in the organisation of the Association, a part of the program was dedicated to encouraging lifelong learning. About 100 participants from all grades of elementary and high school, divided into five groups, had the task of learning how important it is for people, animals, and plants to live together on planet Earth. In the YES/NO question activity, each group discussed the importance of lifelong learning. At the end of the activity, there were gifts for correct answers.



Ruđerica Osijek – workshop „New teaching methods with the help of UI”

In the 3rd grade, 21 April 2023 was marked as the 17th **Lifelong Learning Week** with a suitable workshop called "**New teaching methods with the help of UI**", where students could get acquainted with new digital tools using artificial intelligence. By integrating student creativity, digital tools, and UI, the students discovered new creative approaches when processing literary works in Croatian language classes. In addition to the DALL-E digital tool they used, they also got to know MINDOMO, which the students of 3rd Wd grade had already met earlier as a part of the Erasmus+ project "Digitalised schools", whose priority is to strengthen the digital competences of students and teachers. The goal of this approach is not only to explore the advantages of UI in the context of digital technologies in education, but also to expand the creative expression of students using UI tools, in accordance with the latest achievements of digital technology of the 21st century and the requirements of the European labour market. In order to facilitate the mastering of these new methods, students were greatly supported by David Tadić, student of the 3rd Wd grade, who, in addition to active involvement in school projects, is constantly improving outside of school.



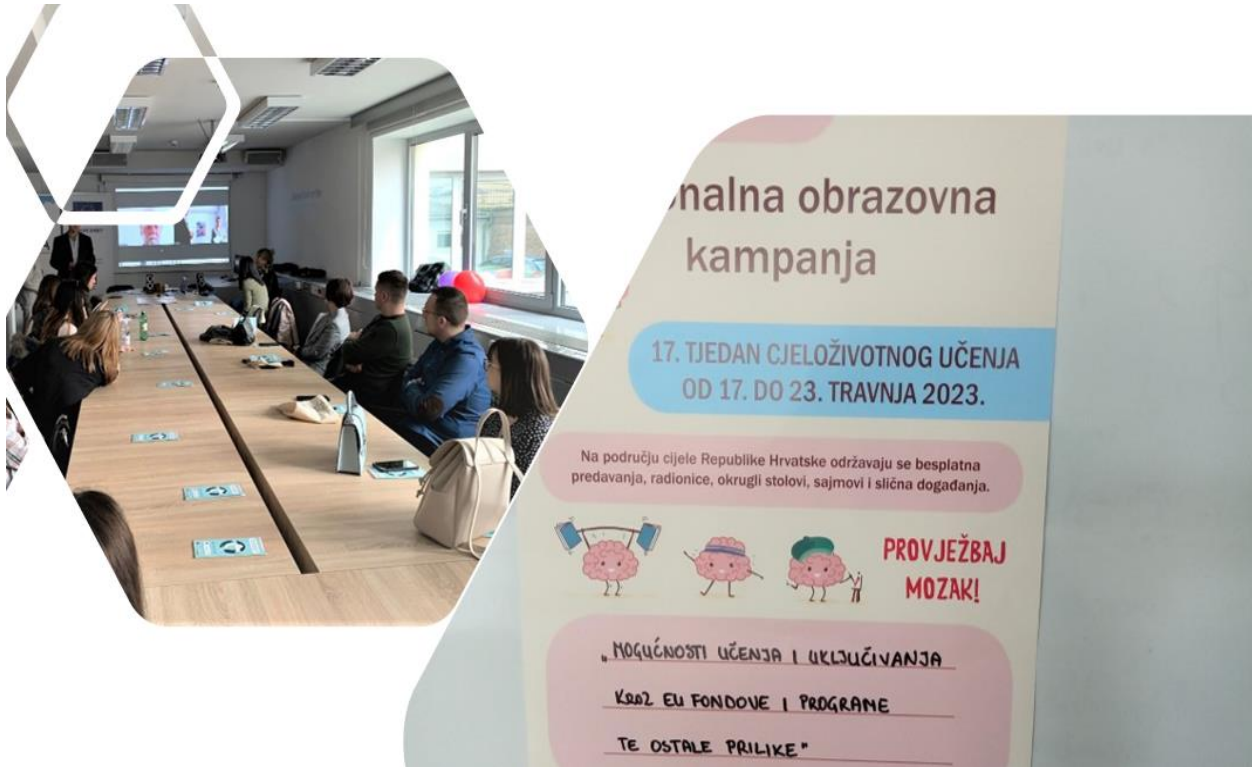
RCK – School of Electrical Engineering and Traffic Osijek

At the Osijek Fair, all visitors who want to change careers and are interested in future occupations were able to learn first-hand everything about adult education programs and the possibilities offered by the ELPROS Regional Competence Centre.



Europe Direct Osijek

As a part of the Lifelong Learning Week, Europe Direct Osijek joined the Public Open College Obris and together with the EDC of the Faculty of Law in Osijek, the Erasmus coordinator of the Faculty of Law in Osijek, the PRONI Centre for Social Teaching/Info-centre for young people Osijek and the national ambassador of the Erasmus+ program held an info session for young people. At the info session, they discussed the possibilities of learning and involvement through EU funds/programs and other opportunities, and the European Year of Skills was also presented.



Požega-Slavonia County

RCK Panonika, Agricultural and Food School Požega

As part of the Lifelong Learning Week, two workshops were held in Požega's Agriculture and Food School, the aim of which was to familiarise students with agricultural occupations with teaching activities in food occupations and vice versa. "Vegetative propagation of ornamental shrubs" is the name of the workshop held by Ana Kelam, teacher of the agricultural group of subjects, and was attended by food technicians from the 2nd, 3rd and 4th grades and agricultural machinery mechanics from the 1st grade. The workshop trainer presented the students with different ways of vegetative propagation of deciduous and evergreen ornamental shrubs and conifers. She showed them the method and procedure for making stem cuttings - cutting from the mother plant, taking the cutting, removing the leaves, making cuttings with a "heel" for thuja and cypress, and propagating lavender. The students themselves tried their hand at making cuttings and branches and planted them in the substrate. They had the opportunity to take the cuttings they made at the workshop home and nurture them. Later, they will be able to apply the newly acquired skill of vegetative propagation of ornamental shrubs independently in their free time. The workshop "Making traditional farmer's apple and cheese pies" was held by Tonka Šarić, teacher of the food group of subjects, and was attended by male and female students of agricultural occupations (agricultural technicians and agrotourism technicians) from 1st to 3rd grade. Through practical work, the workshop trainer explained to them the individual steps in making a pie and revealed to them the details that they should pay attention to in order to make the pie as delicious as possible. The students demonstrated their skills in shaping the pie crust and putting the dough and filling in the baking sheet. They also received pie recipes so they could make them at home. At the end of the workshop, the students had the opportunity to taste pre-made and baked farmer's apple and cheese pies, made according to the traditional recipe. We learned from pedagogue Kristina Hip, coordinator of the Lifelong Learning Week celebration at RCK Panonika, that the students in both workshops were very successful, resourceful, and interested. They liked getting to know topics that are not part of their formal education, they learned something new, acquired practical



knowledge and skills that will be able to be applied in everyday life, thus achieving one of the goals of the Lifelong Learning Week.

LiPa palliative team – workshop „Modern healthy kitchen“

The workshop entitled "Modern healthy kitchen" in the Lifelong Learning Week was conducted by the ambassadors, students of the Pakrac High School, 5th grade, A group with their mentor Ana Nježić in the living room in Poljana.



Požega City Library



Gradska knjižnica Požega

StartUp at the Library

During the Lifelong Learning Week, on 17 and 19 April, two workshops were held in the Hall of Knowledge as part of the StartUp program at the Library. It is a new program of the Požega City Library, which includes workshops intended for people aged 18 to 30 and was launched with the aim of encouraging the entrepreneurial spirit among young people, developing personal management skills and acquiring professional knowledge and skills necessary for the current workplace, finding employment, or starting your own business. The workshops were led by an expert lecturer, with guest appearances by various experts from specific fields, and are held with the support of the Ministry of Culture and Media of the Republic of Croatia.

Playroom for Babies

The Playroom for Babies is part of the Library's family program intended for babies, children up to the age of three and their parents, and includes the clarification on a certain topic from the point of view of paediatrics and pedagogy, as well as the child's interaction with parents and free play in the Playroom area. The program aimed at encouraging the general development of all the child's potential was held in cooperation with a paediatrician and an external associate of the Library, and in the Lifelong Learning Week the topics were Educational games in the development of children and Sleep difficulties.

Tuesday, 18 April

Guided Playroom

The Guided Playroom is a methodically designed program aimed at encouraging social and emotional development and strengthening the fundamental competencies of lifelong learning and is intended for preschool children aged four to six. During the Lifelong Learning Week, two guided playgroups were held at the Children's Department, on 18 and 21 April, and the topics were *I need air urgently* and *Eco-paper*. The pre-schoolers learned about the correct position and planting of flowers, which they themselves tried their hand at, as well as the production of ecological paper from elephant excrement, after which they made elephants from newsprint.

Lectures on violence against women in the past

Two lectures on violence against women in the past were held in the Hall of Knowledge of the Požega City Library in the organisation of the Historical Society of Požega and Public Open College Obris. Dr. sc. Ana Rajković Pejić, PhD, held a lecture entitled Rebel women - forms of female activism in the interwar period, which focused on the problems and perspectives faced by rebel women in the interwar period. In the lecture titled *Women from the margins: Female prisoners in Croatia in the 19th century*, Luka Pejić, PhD, spoke about the perception and treatment of women convicted of criminal offenses in Croatia.

Wednesday, 19 April

Adventure: Art

During the Lifelong Learning Week, a workshop was held in the Hall of Wisdom as part of the *Adventure* program: *Art*. It is a cycle of methodically designed workshops for adults, and it was prepared and led by a professor of fine arts and an external associate of the Library. The emphasis was on the theory and history of art, familiarisation with basic art terminology and the analysis of works of art, but also the application of what was learned on concrete examples.

TIM

The TIM program, which is held all day every Wednesday at Children's Department, includes creative thematic workshops focused on drawing, modelling, knitting, and making various items, and various activities mark holidays, seasons and important days of the year. It is intended for children of primary school age, and during the Lifelong Learning Week, the participants learned to sew buttons, and in particular mastered the skills of inserting a needle.

Thursday, 20 April

Learning techniques

A workshop with a lecture organised by professors from the Economics High School Požega was held in the Hall of Knowledge of the Požega City Library for the seventh-grade students of the Julija Kempf Elementary School in Požega. At the same time, the students were introduced to different learning techniques, and they themselves tried some mnemonics, the chain method of memory and the imagination test, they were introduced to the *Dominic* system, and they took part in a general culture quiz, and the first three places were symbolically rewarded. Numerous programs for all age groups that sought to draw attention to the importance of all forms of education concluded the Lifelong Learning Week in the City Library of Požega!

Lipik Living Room

Lifelong Learning Week is designed as a campaign in which the message about the importance of education and learning is conveyed to citizens in an immediate, often informal way. It is for this reason that Lipik Living Room had two very interesting workshops; one called "Safe Internet Browsing" which is introductory and was taught by Ms. Jadranka Krmpotić and as part of which a free workshop for elderly users was organised for a period of two weeks, three times a week through a computer workshop, and the second workshop was about healthy eating and how to use traditional foods in a modern kitchen, which was led by Prof. Vesna Božić.

Over the course of two weeks, they had several wonderful gatherings with lecturer Mr. Nikola Krmpotić from Public Open College Obrš from Požega, who held six computer workshops for older fellow citizens on the occasion of the Lifelong Learning Week, which will surely benefit them in the future.



Comunita' degli Italiani di Lipik – The Italian Community of Lipik

In the Lifelong Learning Week in the Comunita' degli Italiani di Lipik – the Italian Community of Lipik, the importance of learning, sewing skills for all generations and ages, creating new products by recycling old clothes and nurturing traditions was strongly emphasised.

A straw crafting workshop was organised for Lipik elementary school students and several younger members. The final product of the workshop is a large circle filled with small wreaths with a heart in the middle, symbolically representing our planet Earth, whose day was celebrated in the same week. The slogan of the held workshop was *Natural materials protect the environment*, and children had the opportunity to learn how to make decorations from natural materials themselves. The workshop was organised in cooperation with POU Obris Požega, and the workshop trainer was Nikola Krmpotić.



Lipik Elementary School – library – workshop „I’m Going Green“

As part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, on 19 April the *upcycling* (recovery and repurposing of waste) workshop "I'm Going Green" was held in the school library. The students of the 2b class brought new life to the old tea/coffee cups and they became flower beds for houseleeks, which they diligently planted. We dug up the soil, got a little dirty, planted, and watered. Now they will have a plant to care for in the windows of their homes. We also talked about its medicinal properties, and we all concluded that houseleek is a very useful and medicinal plant. The week of lifelong learning was marked by another *upcycling* workshop. This time we made beautiful flowers from toilet paper rolls. It was cheerful, the students had fun and decorated the classroom with a "flower meadow".



Pakrac City Library

The Pakrac City Library organised the Puppet Workshop and Book Night, as well as one nice event as a part of this year's Lifelong Learning Week - the Opening Ceremony of the Hungarian corner in the library! By the way, the Hungarian corner is designed as a space where all interested users, especially members of the Hungarian national minority, will be able to find books, publications, and materials related to the Hungarians, their history and activity within the Republic of Croatia!

/ČITAONICA ČETVRTKOM – Lifelong Learning Week and Small brainstorming session!/
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Every Thursday at 17:00 at the Children's Department of the Pakrac City Library, library employees together with all interested visitors read, play, and prepare creative activities for children! The date of 20 April marked the Lifelong Learning Week, and that's exactly why they exercised their brains – how else than by reading and the tasks they prepared! They got to know the brain and all its functions and the miracles it is capable of, especially in preschool age.



High School of Economics in Požega

In the 1st h grade of the High School of Economics in Požega, the Lifelong Learning Week was celebrated on 17 April with the aim of promoting it. The students had the opportunity to identify which type of learning they belong to, think about which learning methods suit them best, confirm how much reading and writing skills contribute to learning, how much and how they find motivation to learn, who are their biggest time wasters and what are the possible countermeasures, and they tried their hand at mnemonics and imagination test. The lecture was held by Prof. Marija Šag Sadilek, and Prof. Jelena Kovačević held the knowledge quiz. Professor Jelena Kovačević, who, based on her work, was invited to America for a scholarship awarded by the US Department of Foreign Affairs through the SUSI program (Study of the U.S. Institutes for Secondary Educators). It is an intensive academic program at the graduate level that provides foreign high school teachers with the opportunity to deepen their understanding of American society, culture, values, and institutions in order to strengthen curricula and improve the quality of teaching about



the United States of America in their schools. Every year, 20 people from all over the world are selected, and this year a teacher from our school was on that list. Congratulations!

Primorje-Gorski Kotar County

Institution for adult education DANTE

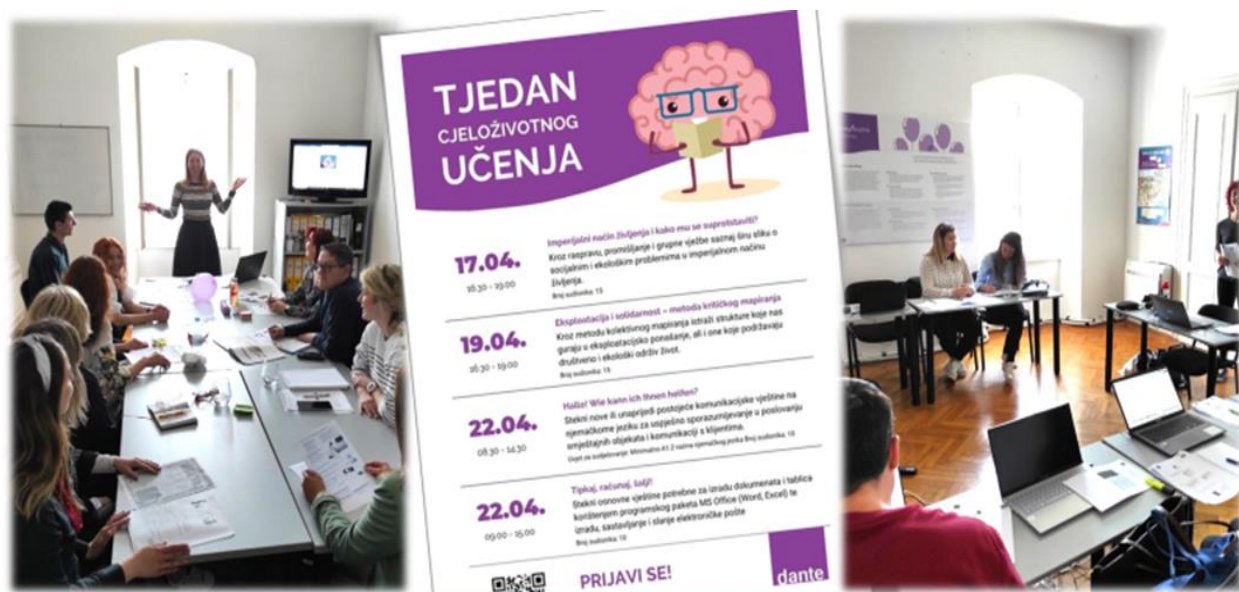
Dante School has, on the occasion of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week organised free workshops which all interested citizens of Rijeka could attend.

Type, calculate, send!

At the workshop "Type, calculate, send!" attendants have acquired the basic skills needed to create documents and tables using the MS Office program package (Word, Excel) and to create, compose, and send electronic mail.

Hallo! Wie kann ich Ihnen helfen?

After the workshop „Hallo! Wie kann ich Ihnen helfen?“ attendants are ready for the new tourist season. During the six hours of the workshop, the following topics were covered: Online communication with clients, reception of guests in the accommodation facility, and provision of information about local tourist attractions. In addition, through a combination of theory and practice, they improved their existing communication skills in the German language.



TJEDAN CJELOŽIVOTNOG UČENJA

Imperijalni način življenja i kako mu se suprotstaviti?
Kroz rasprave, druženja i grupne vježbe saznaj što stoji iza socijalizma i ekoloških problema u imperijalnom načinu življenja.
Broj sudionika: 15

17.04.
18:30 - 19:00

Eksplozivna i solidarnost - metoda kritičkog mišljenja
Kroz metodu kolektivnog mišljenja istraži strukture koje nas grabe u eksplozivna ponašanja, ali i one koje podržavaju društveno i ekološki održiv život.
Broj sudionika: 15

19.04.
18:30 - 19:00

Hallo! Wie kann ich Ihnen helfen?
Stekni nove ili unaprijedi postojeće komunikacijske vještine na njemačkom jeziku da uspiješno spoznajemo i poslužimo ugostiteljski objekt i komunikaciju s klijentima.
Ispit na sudjelovanje: Monotest A1 i 2 sata vježbanja po broju sudionika: 10

22.04.
08:30 - 14:30

Tipkaj, računaj, šalji!
Stekni osnovne vještine potrebne za izradu dokumenata i tablica korištenjem programskog paketa MS Office (Word, Excel) te izradu, sastavljanje i slanje elektroničke pošte.
Broj sudionika: 10

22.04.
09:00 - 10:00

PRIJAVI SE!

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Na radionici "Tipkaj, računaj, šalji!" polaznici su stekli osnovne vještine potrebne za izradu dokumenta i tablica korištenjem programskog paketa MS Office (Word, Excel) te izradu, sastavljanje i slanje elektroničke pošte.

Nakon održane radionice "Hallo! Wie kann ich Ihnen helfen?" polaznici su spremni za novu turističku sezonu te su unaprijedili postojeće komunikacijske vještine na njemačkom jeziku.

National College Rijeka

Workshops held as part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week:

Workshop: How to open a babysitting craft business – 17 April 2023

The Lifelong Learning Week at the National College began with a workshop that instructed attendants to the process of opening a babysitting craft business. The attendants got acquainted with the documentation, regulations, laws, and the procedure for opening a day care craft business.

Free IT workshop: Working with large documents in Word – 18 April 2023

Thank you to all attendants for their interest and kudos to the lecturer, Prof. Diana Fattorini.

Culinary workshop Vegan-vegetarian Workshop - 19 April 2023

Thank you to our attendants and Prof. Žibert for a wonderful workshop.

Free art workshop – the goal of the workshop: charcoal drawing of still life motifs, using lines and shadows for the most authentic representation of the motif.



Polytechnic PAR

On 17 April 2023, Open House Days and even two workshops on effective leadership and social innovation in education were held in the premises of the Polytechnic PAR. Wednesday was reserved for careers! Experts from the field of human potentials advised the participants which study to choose, our alumni shared their study experience, and employers introduced the participants to the possibilities of

professional practice and employment. On Thursday, the participants learned about ERASMUS+ mobility opportunities, the cultural and historical heritage, and gastrotourism of Coastal Croatia.



Dan otvorenih vrata na PARu
Dodi upoznaj PAR tim za studije i cjeloživotno obrazovanje od 10.00 do 19.00 sati

Radionica:
Učinkovito vođstvo u obrazovanju
Radionica za ravnatelje i djelatnike u obrazovanju
Neda Lukšić, univ. spec. oec., pred.
AULA, 1. kat, 11.30 - 13.00 sati

Utorak, 18.4.2023.

Dan otvorenih vrata na PARu
Dodi upoznaj PAR tim za studije i cjeloživotno obrazovanje od 10.00 do 19.00 sati

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Karijerno savjetovanje - Koji studij odabrati?
Požuri i prijavi se savjeta daju stručnjaci iz područja upravljanja ljudskim potencijalima
AULA, 1. kat, 10.00 - 11.30 sati

Student PARTnership!
1 na 1 sa studentima i alumnijima PARa!
Pitaj PARovce kako su odabrali studij i kakvo je njihovo iskustvo studiranja.
AULA, 1. kat, 11.30 - 12.30 sati

Job PARTnership!
Upoznaj poslodavce, pronadi stručnu praksu ili posao!
AULA, 1. kat, 13.00 - 15.00 sati

Upravljanje lojalitetom u funkciji razvoja održivog turizma
Boris Vukobratović, profesor

PAR ERASMUS+ Day
od 10.00 do 19.00 sati

PAR Mobility - budućnost je mobilna
Upoznajte mogućnosti za mobilnost studenata i nastavnika
Pronadite stručnu praksu u inozemstvu
AULA, 1. kat, početak u 13.00 sati

Kulturno povijesna baština i gastroturizam Primorske Hrvatske
Sandra Bandera, prof., turistički vodič
Zoran Delić, voditelj programa Gastro akademije
AULA, 1. kat, početak u 15.15 sati

EDU PARTY
After job party na PARu - pridružite nam se i uživajte s nama u gastro delicijama Primorske Hrvatske



Sisak-Moslavina County

Public Open College Novska

From 17 to 23 April, various activities took place at the Public Open College. Visitors could enjoy the painting exhibition "Dreamer of Paintings and Painter of Dreams". Activities continued with the "My Little Cinema" project, where, through various film screenings and workshops, an effort was made to develop film literacy among the youngest fellow citizens. The attendants of the Pop-Rock School regularly acquire new knowledge and skills. Also, the Moruzgva Theatre organised the theatre performance "Factory Settings". The museum's native collection of the City of Novska continued to implement the "STUDENT-CURATOR" program, where students learn how to restore old objects, carry out expert guidance of visitors through the exhibition, and the ways in which exhibits are introduced into the system. And at the end of the week, certificates were ceremoniously handed over to 21 attendants of the *Object-oriented programming in video game creation*, which was conducted through the CES voucher system.



Glina High School

Glina High School also participated in the Lifelong Learning Week this year. In cooperation with the Glina Library and Reading Room, an ornament making workshop was held on 21 April 2023. Professors Suzana Stanković, Aleksandra Pereković, Suzana Vujičić, and Ljerka Iharoš taught the participants how to make a woollen tapestry, make an ornament from old paper and paint pebbles using the dotting technique. Fourteen adult participants took part in the workshop, for whom, in addition to creative content, socialising with an appropriate reception was arranged. We thank the Library for giving us space, and the employees for their wholehearted support.



High School Viktorovac Sisak – workshop „Perfect table setting“

The participants of the workshop learned how to properly set the table for dining with several courses of food, in which order to place utensils and glasses, and which details to pay attention to. The imaginative design of the napkins, without which a beautifully set table is unthinkable, was especially interesting. Thank you to the workshop trainer, Mario Kastmiller and Marko Dobrinić, for their patience and understanding for us slightly older and clumsier students.



Public Open College Kutina

As part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, an activity called *Daily Make-up* and *Professional Photography* was held on 17 April at the Public Open College Kutina. The workshop presented a lot of useful tips on make-up.

A *Cheerful Tamburitza Evening* was also held: a concert of tamburitza music by FA Zagreb Markovac. The concert was organised in cooperation with FA Zagreb Markovac on the initiative of the president of the City Association of Cultural-artistic Groups of the City of Kutina, Mr. Darko Preglej. On behalf of the City of Kutina, Mrs. Kornelija Marošević, assistant to the head of social activities of the City of Kutina, was present.

On 18 April, an *Evening of Positivity* with Ivana Plechinger was held in a crowded Arcus. The author presented her new book "If only I had known this earlier". Mrs. Kornelija Marošević, assistant to the head for social activities, attended the promotion on behalf of the City of Kutina. A free workshop under the title "Natural cosmetics and the benefits of aromatherapy for health" was also successfully held.



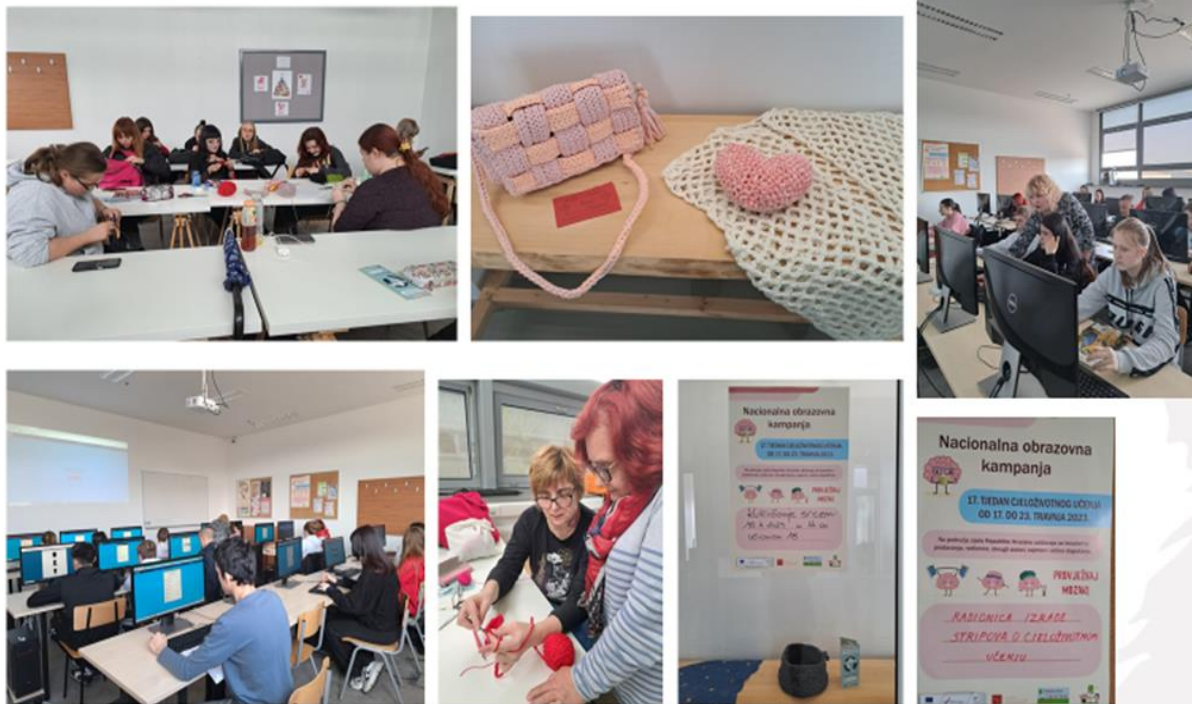
Vocational School Sisak

The Lifelong Learning Week began on 18 April 2023 at the Sisak Vocational School with the workshop "Crocheting with the Heart". The exhibition of works could be viewed in the school's exhibition space.

On April 19, Prof. Ivanka Klarić held a lecture entitled "Andrija Colussi, Sisak's Builder". What the city of Sisak looks like from the perspective of architectural heritage was very interestingly presented by Prof. Klarić.

For the third day in a row, Prof. Terezija Kovačić held a workshop on computer-generated comics about lifelong learning. There were very interesting and instructive comics made by school students!

Prof. Zrinka Fabijanec, MSc Arch, has on 19 April 2023, on the occasion of Lifelong Learning Week, held an extremely interesting and interactive lecture titled "A comprehensive approach to interior design". The participants received very useful tips and examples of well- and poorly-decorated spaces at the said lecture.



County informant – SMŽ

[The Lifelong Learning Week in Sisak-Moslavina County (17 – 23 April 2023)]

Novska, 17 April 2023, 10:00 a.m.: Program in cooperation with the High School Novska with the aim of involving children and young people in the work of the Museum's native collection of the City of Novska. The program provided an opportunity for participants to gain practical experience in research work, organisation of workshops, and preparation of exhibitions in a museum environment.

Sisak, 18 April 2023, 2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.: The handmade technique of crocheting, which is performed with cotton or wool yarn, is slowly being forgotten. New fashion trends that promote sustainable fashion promote traditional ways of making and fashion that becomes universal and timeless. New fashion products that are made using traditional methods reach astronomical prices and the workshop tried to promote a traditional technique in order to introduce the attendants to the old ways of making and thereby encourage the possibility of creating fashion products in a way that negates fast and cheap fashion.

Glina, 21 April 2023, 1:00 p.m.: Making small magnets using the dotting method, tapestries, and decorations from old books.

Split-Dalmatia County

Youth Volunteer Centre Skac St

On Wednesday, 19 April 2023, an interesting workshop was held under the leadership of the volunteer coordinator. It is an educational workshop "Small School of Volunteering", carried out as part of the national campaign Lifelong Learning Week. Through games and a short theoretical part, young people were introduced to the concept of volunteering and learned about their rights, as well as the obligations they should fulfil as volunteers. The most useful thing for the attendants of the training was to find out first-hand the possibilities of volunteering in Split and its surroundings and the currently open volunteer positions.

The attendants of the training received their first volunteer booklet with completed education entered and now all that remains is to continue to fill it with the various volunteer experiences that are in front of them.



Crafts Technical School Split

As a part of the Lifelong Learning Week, the workshop "Introduction to Media Literacy" was held. The attendants were introduced to the concept of media literacy and the initial steps that need to be mastered to achieve media literacy.

The workshop "How to build authority and influence" was intended for educational workers, and it provides answers on how to build professional and personal authority, how to constantly learn from experience and how to establish order and work discipline and influence students and learning results. It also talks about how to inspire students and colleagues with his influence, and helps the attendants achieve positive changes.

As a part of the Lifelong Learning Week, a lecture on "Basic Business Skills" was held. The lecture is intended for high school graduates and young people who are thinking about starting their own business. They learned about basic but also special business skills related to planning, organisation, human resources management, and leadership.

A workshop was held on the topic "Resistance of educational workers to stress". The stress of educational workers is usually defined as the experience of unpleasant and negative emotions such as anger, anxiety, tension, frustration, or depression. This workshop introduced us to some techniques of identification, prevention, stopping, removal and reduction of stress.

The "Management of Change" workshop was held as part of the Lifelong Learning Week, where participants had the opportunity to learn how to regain focus after a "surprise", take a step forward from established behaviour and adapt to new ways of work, changes in processes, requirements, tasks, and behaviour.



Secondary Vocational School Ban Josip Jelačić Sinj

As part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, on 21 April, the lecture "Path to the Vocational Future-Erasmus+" was held. The event is organised for students, teachers, professional services, and everyone interested. The lecture is the dissemination of the Erasmus+ project "Let's spread our wings for the ocean of opportunities", with the aim of spreading information about the project and its positive effects. Students and teachers of vocational subjects, Prof. Nada Ratković, mentor, and Prof. Marija Šimunović, mentor, they promoted the mobility project, shared their experiences with mobility and promoted the acquired new professional and practical knowledge. The lecture was attended by students of the 2nd a, 3rd a grade of the profession of economist and students of the 2nd n grade of the profession of assistant administrator as well as interested teachers. The lecture was intended to motivate and increase the interest of students and teachers in mobility projects in the field of vocational education and training that

provide integration with European education, performance of tasks and jobs in a new environment, and acquisition of new knowledge and experience.

As part of the celebration of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, a "Hand care" workshop was held on 19 April 2023 in the cosmetics cabinet. The workshop was led by Jelena Poljak and Željka Vuko, and it was divided into three parts: why to care for the skin of the hands, the effect of the paraffin mask, and the application of the paraffin mask.



College Virtus

As part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week a free robotics workshop was held titled "Basics of working with a micro:bit computer". The children created a program that generates numbers from 1 to 6, and that program served them as a cube in the game Ludo. Robotics education starts in October, and pre-registrations for it were already being made then. Children of preschool and elementary school age can enrol, and education will be held in the premises of Virtus College.



Šibenik-Knin County

Public Open College Knin

An info counter was set up on Ante Starčević Square where citizens could get all the information about lifelong learning, programs and activities of the Public Open College Knin.

The workshop "Strengthening the competencies of private renters" was held. Ten attendants participated in the workshop intended for private renters and potential private renters in the city of Knin and its surroundings. The purpose of holding the workshop is to strengthen the competences of private renters and rising awareness of the importance of lifelong learning, as well as encouraging the tourism industry, which needs to be further strengthened in the city of Knin. In the first part, the attendants practiced the renter's communication with the guest in English and German during the arrival and reception of guests, taking personal information, showing the apartment/room, looking at the map of the city/restaurants, sights, and the departure of the guest. The second part of the workshop dealt with the process of registering a rental facility and working with rental applications.

The workshop "Strengthening professional competencies of teaching assistants and raising awareness of the importance of lifelong learning" was held. Eleven attendants participated in the workshop aimed at empowering people who work as teaching assistants with children with disabilities in primary and secondary schools. Professor of pedagogy and sociology Ivana Vidović strengthened their competences in the following areas: collegial dialogue and cooperation, team building, promoting collaborative communication, and encouraging cooperation, creativity, and good relationships in the team.



Public Open College Šibenik

Lecture "How to successfully apply for EU projects?"

The workshop "Advertising via social media" was held on Tuesday, 18 April 2023, and was led by Martina Travčić, marketing expert and lecturer at the College. Digital marketing has long been the leading medium for advertising products and services. Facebook and Instagram are extremely powerful media through which many companies try to reach potential clients, and lately more and more companies are trying to position themselves through some new social media such as Spotify, Snapchat, TikTok, etc.

The "German language workshop for renters" was successfully held as a part of the national campaign to promote lifelong learning under the slogan "Exercise your brain!". The workshop was led by Veronika Milin, a professor of German and Italian with many years of teaching experience at our College, tourist guide for Šibenik-Knin County and a court interpreter for German and Italian. At the workshop, she presented the attendants with the basic phrases of communicating in German with guests before, during, and after their stay in the accommodation facility, how to present to the guest in a simple way their offer as well as the offer of the rich cultural heritage and gastronomy of the City of Šibenik and Šibenik-Knin County and unavoidable national parks, and how to successfully process a reservation by phone and e-mail, clarify house rules, and much more...

Workshop "Coffee - that magical drink!"

Start your day with a cup of quality coffee! We drink it every day, but how much do we really know about it? Tomislav Stančić, one of the most famous baristas in Croatia and the region, explained to the participants everything about the history of coffee, types of coffee, coffee preparation, and the advantages and disadvantages of consumption on health. And at the end of the workshop, the attendants could enjoy the smells and tastes of different types of coffee!



Varaždin County

Secondary Vocational School Varaždin

On the occasion of Lifelong Learning Week, vocational teachers Vesna Biankini and Lidija Sović organised work training for 4th k grade beauticians on three different facial skin care treatments: ProbioticPurity treatment, Aparative Mesolift treatment and Papaya Enzymatic treatment. Knowledge allows us to create new ideas, develop ourselves and others, and become experts in what we do.



Public Open College Varaždin

Educators and teachers from the area of Varaždin County participated in a lecture and workshop entitled "Working with students with developmental disabilities and students with autism spectrum disorders in the regular education system" led by Jelena Dolenec, MEdRehab. The large turnout testifies to the challenges in the field and the need for systematic education and training on the topic of working with children with developmental disabilities.

EU and domestic funds for small and medium-sized enterprises: We always manage to find a topic that our entrepreneurs need, which was also the case with this two-day workshop led by an expert in funds, business plans and projects from the company Androlić Konzalting d.o.o., owner Kristina Androlić.



Economic High School Varaždin – workshop "Making decorative and useful items from paper"

As a part of the Lifelong Learning Week, at the Varaždin Economic High School, Prof. Andrijana Herceg held a workshop on "Making decorative and useful items from paper". The workshop was open for the public and school students.



Virovitica-Podravina County

Business College „Eduka Plus”

Lecture: *Mental health care – Support and empowerment of teaching assistants* was held on 17 April 2023.

The attendants listened with interest to the lecture given by psychology professor Jasna Per-Kožnjak and participated and shared their own experiences with other teaching assistants.

Kristina Horvat, master of nursing and Prof. of health care, on 19 April 2023, held a lecture entitled *Adequate communication in approaching the elderly*.

Communication Skills were intended for all those interested in the topic, and especially for those who in practice encounter elderly people. A ceremonial distribution of certificates for the caregiver training program was also held.



Polytechnic Virovitica

On the occasion of the Lifelong Learning Week at the Polytechnic Virovitica, a workshop titled "Interactive Methods in Teaching" was held.

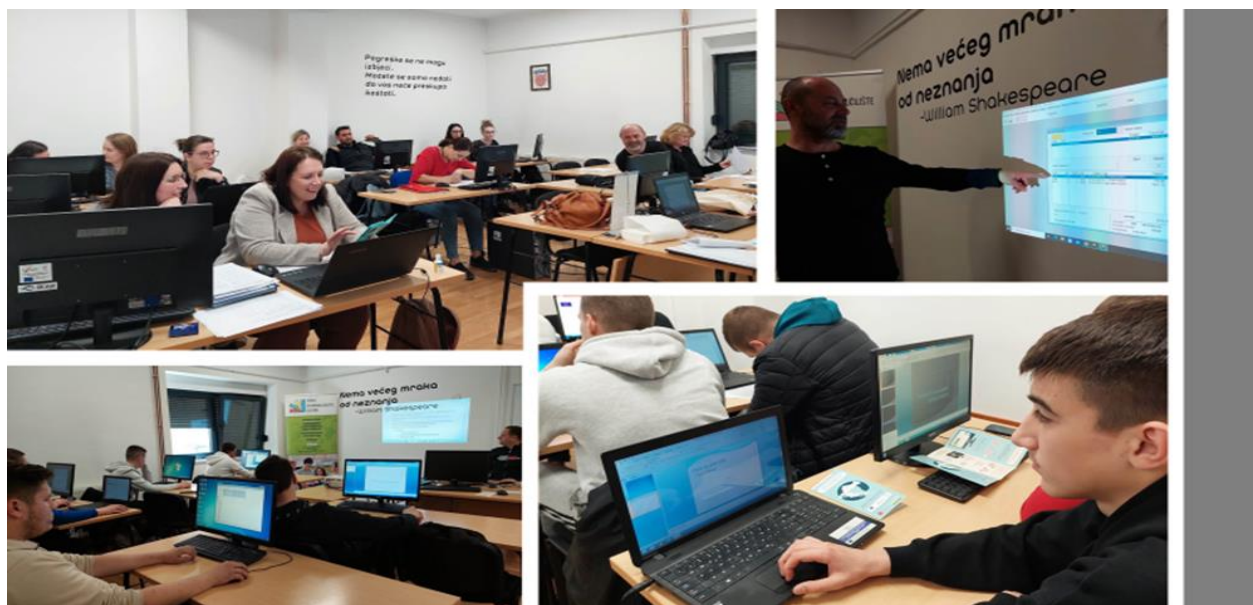


Public Open College Slatina

As part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, two workshops were held at the Open Public College Slatina.

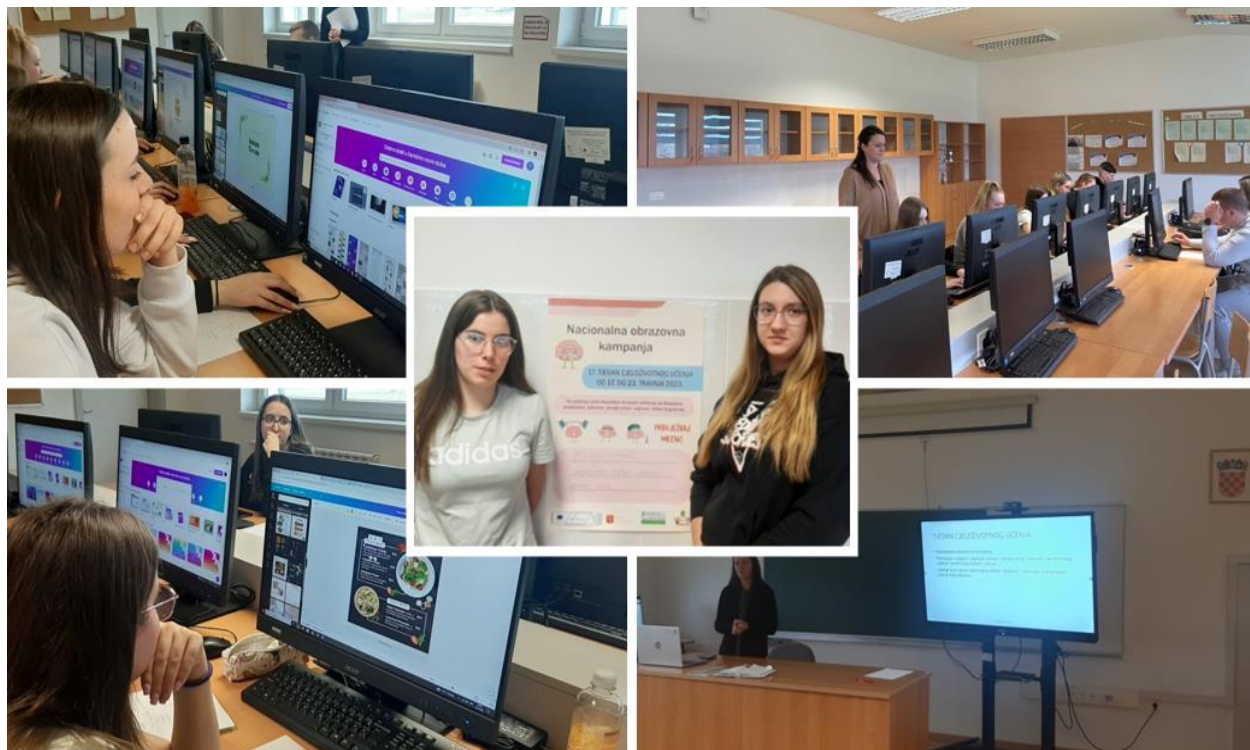
The first workshop on the topic of *Bookkeeping on the Computer* of the Open Public College Slatina was held on 17 April 2023.

The second workshop was on the topic of *Creating PowerPoint Presentations*.



High School Stjepan Sulimanac, Pitomača

High School Stjepan Sulimanac in Pitomača participated in the Lifelong Learning Week by organising a workshop called "Creating appropriate business documentation in Canva", which was held on 18 April 2023 by teachers Jasmina Pavičić and Ivana Kralj. The workshop was open for the public. The workshop on creating appropriate business communication in Canva was intended for students and young people who are thinking about their own business, and the participants got acquainted with the online tool Canva, registration and the possibilities that the tool provides, creating content for social media, posters, price lists, business cards, brochures.



Vukovar-Srijem County

Public Open College Vinkovci

The 17th Lifelong Learning Week is behind us - we dived, danced, made decorations, put on make-up, heard numerous tips, learned new skills... and made wonderful acquaintances along the way.

We finished the work week in the spirit of learning, and as we promised, we bring the atmosphere from this year's wonderful events in the gallery.



Diving Club Vinkovci

As part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, the *Discovery dive-Diving for beginners* at the city pools of Lenija in Vinkovci was held. Anyone who wanted to find out what it's like to be a diver could do so in the pools under the watchful eye of diving instructors and leaders.



Music School Josip Runjanin Vinkovci

On Friday, 21 April 2023, the Music School Josip Runjanin Vinkovci participated in the national educational campaign of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week.

The musical workshops "Baroque with Coffee" and "Classical Tea Party" (J. Ajduković) and the interactive lecture "Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky - 130 years since the death of the composer" (Z. Ivanković) were organised.

All three workshops were designed with the aim of processing the planned topics in a different, interesting way, and to encourage students (in addition to acquiring new knowledge and skills) to increase their interest in musical instruments and music in general.



Secondary Vocational School Vinkovci

A synergy of pastry chefs and fashion technicians – on the occasion of the Lifelong Learning Week, the fashion technicians had an exercise with the pastry chefs. They successfully completed the task, and the result was extremely tasty.

At the "Digital Empathy" workshop held on 21 April 2023, the students first played the DigiTaboo game in which they had to clarify the concepts from the field of digital literacy. After the game, they studied in groups the contents of messages written in different styles with the use of abbreviations and emoticons. Through this workshop, they will become aware of the meanings and power of emoticons in everyday communication.

On the occasion of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, the participants of the "Do It Yourself" workshop could try their hand at creative wall decoration. They used the techniques of tapping with a balloon, a cotton pad, a broom, and an imitation of tree rings. Come, choose a technique and beautify the walls in your home to make your stay in it more beautiful and pleasant.

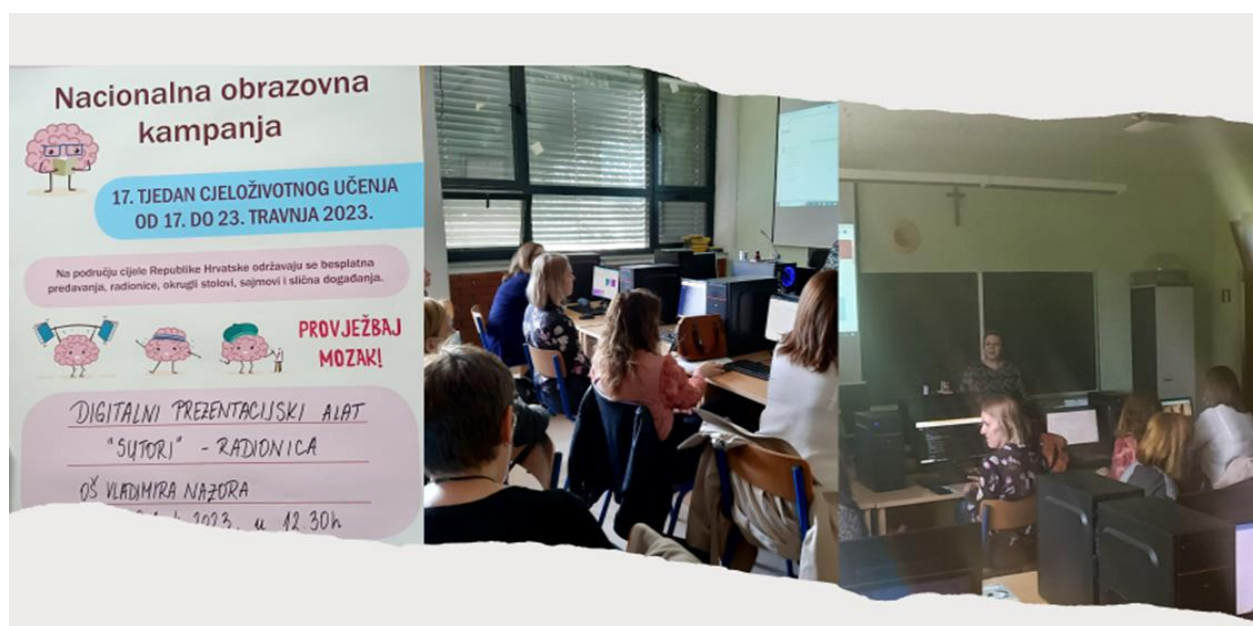
The "Creative Textile Workers" workshop was held. Some gold embroidery, then some tailoring, and then some sewing. New skills, new knowledge! On 19 April creative textile workers bravely pushed the boundaries of creativity.



College Studium

On the occasion of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, College Studium organised numerous workshops intended for just about everyone! All workshops were free and open - therefore, no registration was required, only good will and attendance.

SCHEDULE OF HELD WORKSHOPS:



OSIJEK

17 April - Sensorimotor Development of a Child

19 April - Become a Veterinarian for a Day

24 April - Application of knowledge and information in pharmacy practice

VINKOVCI

18 April – How to write a business plan that will ALWAYS function

20 April – How the world of railways actually works

22 April – Speed reading and smart learning workshop for your children

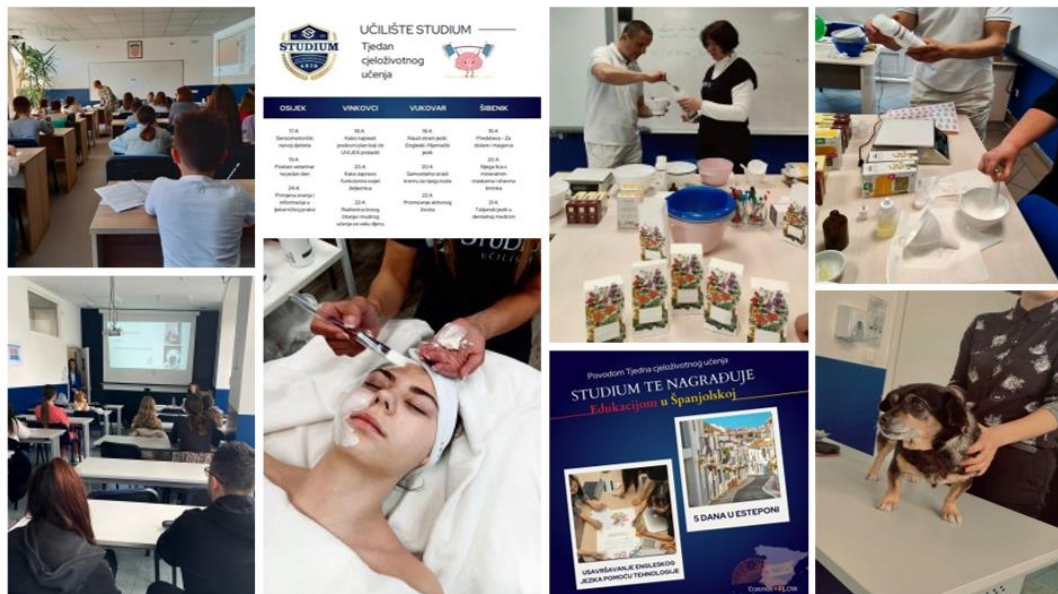
VUKOVAR

18 April – Learn a foreign language: English and German language

20 April – Make your own skin care cream

21 April – Marketing on social media (online)

The participants had the opportunity to make their own cream, be a veterinarian for a day, practice how to learn faster and smarter, take a peek into the world of beauticians, learn about marketing on the Internet... And numerous other interesting and educational activities.



Mamine ručice (Mamma's Hands)

For third year in a row, as part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, the famous Vukovar brand *Mamine ručice* prepared a workshop where small decorative mirrors and other wall decorations for children's rooms, hallways, etc. were made. The leader of the workshop was Lidija Azinović.



Vladimir Nazor Elementary School, Vinkovci

The Vladimir Nazor Elementary School in Vinkovci marked the Lifelong Learning Week with the workshop "Digital Presentation Tool Sutori". Teacher Lidija Škrlec showed all the advantages of using this digital tool in class. The tool is simple and intuitive to use and enables full cooperation of users in creating a joint presentation with additional quizzes, video content, questions and everything necessary for learning through the game. The workshop was primarily intended for teachers and students of primary and secondary schools, but everyone eager to learn something new and develop their digital skills was welcome!

Our Children Society Vinkovci

As part of the Lifelong Learning Week, at the "Association Management" workshop, the president of the Our Children Society Vinkovci Helena Crnjak introduced the participants to the management of civil society organisations, legal bases, and ensuring the effective and efficient operation of an association.

Helena Crnjak also held a workshop called "Why volunteer?". At the workshop, all those interested learned about the advantages and benefits of volunteering and learned about the personal and social benefits of volunteering. There were hardly enough seating places at the workshop.



Economics and Trade High School Ivan Domac in Vinkovci

On 19 April 2023, the Economics and Trade High School Ivan Domac Vinkovci successfully held a workshop on the painting of canvas bags as part of the Lifelong Learning Week celebration. A day later, on 20 April,



a workshop on the production of biological softeners was held. 1st grade students have in a practical and creative way connected the professional and general education subjects.

High School of Economics in Vukovar

As a part of the Lifelong Learning Week, the workshop "Learning How to Learn" was held, where 1st grade students became aware of learning styles and learned about different mnemonics such as shortening, elaborate coding, the place method, and mind maps. In the practical part of the workshop, the students created mind maps according to the rules for their creation, which were devised by their creator, Tony Buzan, a British professor and psychologist. We hope that the students will continue to use some of the mnemonics and that it will make learning even more fun for them. The workshop was prepared and led by Željka Geto, the school librarian.

As a part of the Lifelong Learning Week, on 20 April 2023, the workshop "Whom would you and wouldn't you be with?" was held with the students of the 1st g and 1st e grades led by the school librarian Marija Bratonja. The students discussed what stereotypes, prejudices, and discrimination are and made them aware of their prejudices and stereotypes. Through the teaching exercise *Whom would you and wouldn't you be with?* they showed how tolerant they are and how ready they are to accept and respect diversity. The participants of the workshop agreed that our society is not overly tolerant, although the Constitution of the Republic of Croatia guarantees equality to everyone and what goals they should strive for. Students worked on tolerance through individual and group work and acquired some new knowledge and skills.



PRONI Centre

As a part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, Open House Days were organised in the PRONI Centre on Friday, 21 April, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. In addition to getting to know each other and exchanging

information about the interests of potential participants and our work, we would like to include volunteers in our team. On this occasion, we also announce the possibility of learning the Turkish language, which will be made possible by foreign volunteers - Beyza and Emine from Turkey, who volunteer at the PRONI Centre as part of the European Solidarity Corps program. Information about the mentioned activities for young people offered by the PRONI Centre is available at info points set up in educational institutions in the area of the city of Vukovar.



Polytechnic "Lavoslav Ružička" Vukovar

The workshop on how to manage conflicts, "Conflict - danger or opportunity", at VEVU sounded like a big conflict, but only as part of the Lifelong Learning Week. With the excellent lecture of partner Mara Majstorović - NLP trainer, everything was resolved quickly. The Chinese character for conflict consists of two characters; one that signifies danger and one that signifies opportunity. The conventional wisdom is that the word *conflict* is associated with something negative, an argument, disagreement, or a fight, and is rarely associated with another option such as opportunity as the Chinese call it and accepting diversity as an opportunity for new solutions. Namely, in conflict situations, we are usually overcome by heavy emotions, our focus and concentration drop, and we cannot think and talk constructively. The further we think away from the other party, the more explosive the relationship becomes, and the solution further and further away instead of looking in the direction of the desired outcome.



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Mjesto: Veleučilište „Lavoslav Ružička“ Pula

Datum: 18.04.2023.

Vrijeme: 09:00 sati



Zadar County

Vir Leaf – Tourist Board Vir Tourism and Finis College

GERMAN LANGUAGE COURSE HELD FOR RENTERS

As a part of the national educational campaign and the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, a one-day course on the basics of the German language for renters was held in the classroom of the Regional School in Vir. For this occasion, the course leader Barbara Buškulić from the Tourist Agency Vir Tourism created a brochure for participants of the German language course. Twelve of them got acquainted with the basics of initial communication in German; verbs, numbers, words necessary for communicating in relation to renting and apartments, that is, phrases and written forms of online communication with guests.

"This was a trial lecture. We contacted the renters from Vir, and those who came to the German language course received brochures with the help of which they can master basic communication with guests. And that from the moment of booking the accommodation, the arrival of the guests on the island, until they leave the apartment", said Buškulić. This free one-day course held on Saturday was organised with the help of Finis College from Zadar and Ivana Šimleša Radović.

An additional idea is that from September, Buškulić and Radović will offer a similar educational-linguistic and touristic concept to the renters of Vir and extend it to the mastery of communication skills in English, Italian, and German.



Zadar City Library

Mediterranean shrubs and perennials

During the 17th Lifelong Learning Week the participants learned what is needed for the successful cultivation of Mediterranean shrubs and perennials at the lecture given by Msc Mirna Petricoli, dipl. ing. agr.

The lecture "Fruit in the Garden - When and How to Nurture It" was held in the multimedia hall, by Msc Katarina Nekić-Pijaca, ing. agr. as a part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week.



Zadar Science Library

As part of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week, the Zadar Science Library organised workshops called *Thematic searches: from librarians, search engines, reference online services to artificial intelligence.*



Zagreb County

Public Open College Samobor

These events not only marked the Week of Lifelong Learning, but also celebrated Earth Day and reminded the participants how important it is to take care of its preservation.

As the climax of the 17th Lifelong Learning Week an Aromatherapy workshop was held. The workshop was held by Saša Radulović, with very detailed guidance and knowledge that he passed on to the participants! The six hours of the workshop flew by.

On 18 April, the Pop-Up Cinema held a lecture entitled *Drainage system in Samobor today and the concept of wastewater treatment*, which was organised by the Society of Engineers and Technicians Samobor, and Antonio Širanović and Jan Hovorka presented the current situation and shared plans for the future.

