



## Central Baltic Student Enterprise without Borders

### Description of project for 2016/2017

The project, Central Baltic Student Enterprise without Borders (CBEwB), was developed to create an international perspective on entrepreneurship education. Central Baltic and the JA-organizations in the area feel that it is important for our countries, schools, teachers and students to cooperate together and learn from each other. We want our students to get the possibility to learn more about international trade and international entrepreneurship.

Within the project, teachers and students from Latvia, Estonia, Finland and Sweden meet and get the possibility to work together and make a network. Students develop ideas together, collaborate and start international business companies (joint ventures).

The results that need to be obtained during the three-year project are at least 50 international student companies successfully created and overall 400 students, 80 teachers and 50 mentors participated in the project.

It is important that the school that wants to participate in the project has an experience of implementing the student company programme on a national level and helping to create international student companies in this project is the next level in their growth.

#### **Main events 2016/2107**

Teachers and students from the four countries will take part in the following events (subject to change) during the year.

- 1) Innovation Camp, Helsinki. 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> of September (2 weekdays/workdays)
- 2) Brought up Conference, Tallinn. 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> of November (weekend)
- 3) Trade Fair, Tallinn. 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> of February (weekend)
- 4) Trade Fair, Helsinki. The beginning of March (2 weekdays)
- 5) Trade Fair and conference, Riga. 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> of April (3 weekdays)
- 6) Trade Fair and teachers conference, Stockholm. 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> of May (2 weekdays)

The schools that are interested in the project have to be aware of all the events where they will have to provide participation of teachers and students within in the project. It is not allowed to choose to take part in just some events and skip others. The school is responsible for a number of students and a number of teachers at each event (the number the school and the national JA-office sign up for in the beginning of the project).

Involving teachers in the project, they need to be aware of their responsibilities which are:

- involve students that are motivated to participate in the project and make collaboration with students from other countries;
- be responsible for own students during the project and each event and accompany them in the international events;
- support students in the process of finding the partners, establishing the collaboration and solving the problems in the process of international cooperation;
- participate in the teachers network during the project and share the experience of implementing the student company programme in their school;
- evaluate the work and the results of their students and the created joint ventures as well as the whole project;
- be active member of the project and assist the national JA-office in implementing the project and achieving the results.

The selection of the students who can participate in the project should meet these requirements:

- upper secondary schools' and VET's students aged 17-19;
- previous experience in the company programme;
- good communication skills and knowledge of English;
- high motivation to participate in the project;
- commitment to achieve the best results creating the joint venture and to participate in all events of the project.

Students when are getting involved in the project should try to avoid being part of a national student company since the project requires to create joint ventures and new business ideas and products with students from other countries.

If any student quits the project, it is the school's and the teacher's responsibility to find a new student who will replace the previous participant.

The project partners – the national JA-offices - cover all costs for participating in the events. This includes: transfers, accommodation, meals, participation fee.

The travel to the events can be done in different ways (by bus, train, plain and boat). This means that the trip can take somewhat longer than the event itself. For example, one night on a boat before the event and one night on a boat after the event.

Between the events we will hand out small tasks for the students. This could be in the form of questionnaires, minor reports or preparing a small presentation to the next event.

This is a great opportunity for you and your students and we welcome you to apply to you national JA-organization to be a part of the project in 2016/2017.

