



Press Release

Status Employment hosted the 3rd meeting of Virtual DS at the offices of Mind Employment in Croydon on the 4th and 5th of October. The meeting was attended by the consortium of Virtual DS. The Consortium is formed by entities working in the field of supporting people with Down Syndrome, and includes ASINDOWN (Spain) as a Coordinator of the Project, DRUŠTVO DOWNOV SINDROM SLOVENIJA, DDSS (Slovenia), ASSOCIAÇÃO PORTUGUESA DE PORTADORES DE TRISSOMIA 21, APPT21 (Portugal), ALDO-CET (Romania) all will participate. STATUS EMPLOYMENT is a non-governmental organization with huge experience in Supported Employment; IMAGINA RV, a private company specialising in the development of Virtual Reality training contents.



At the meeting much progress was made towards the projects objectives of creating ICT Tools (VIRTUAL REALITY) for people with Down syndrome; developing ADAPTED learning materials and tools. The meeting gave a lot of time to checking real experiences in companies developed by Imagina RV, using Virtual Reality Glasses. Time was also given to starting to develop training for the real life experiences through the Vocational Profile side of Supported Employment. The partners also agreed on need to concentrate on real life experiences; focusing on core routines and soft skills to get vital jobs for people with Learning disabilities and Down syndrome. They agreed the jobs to concentrate on where: catering, hotel, and retail.

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