

Internships for VET Entrepreneurship teachers at a regional business incubator in Asturias (Spain)

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Entrepreneurship education is not only a cross-curricular objective but a separate compulsory subject for all students in school-based IVET in Asturias. “Empresa e Iniciativa Emprendedora” (Business and Entrepreneurial Initiative) is an 88-hour module aiming at developing the entrepreneurial knowledge, skills and attitudes of iVET students in their final year.

In order to gain certification, students are asked to craft and put to test a feasible business plan. While developing the different sections, they get familiar with the start-up process interacting with real companies and relevant organizations and institutions providing business advice in their local area.

More often than not, teachers delivering this module have a background in Law/Legal Studies or Careers Guidance so they lack the confidence to deal with business/business management aspects. While it is true that CPD training opportunities in entrepreneurship are available, the approach is mostly theoretical. In order to revert this trend, and for the first time ever, [Valnalón](#), a well-known regional business incubator, in cooperation with the regional Department for Education, is offering a 2-week internship for VET Entrepreneurship teachers starting in the end of June. Following an [official call for expressions of interest](#) launched in March 2016, the two selected teachers will work side to side with experienced business advisors in direct contact with real entrepreneurs.

Formación y Orientación Laboral

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Empresa: VALNALÓN	Centro de trabajo: La Felguera (Langreo)		
Observaciones:	Válida para otras familias profesionales		

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1. Teacher internship job descriptions

It is expected they will gain practical knowledge and get familiar with the methodology and state-of-the-art tools used in a real business incubator. It is hoped that much of the learning derived from this hands-on experience will be transferred and adapted to a classroom context leading to an increase teachers confidence and a better alignment and smoother transition between the start-up support provided in VET schools and specialist agencies such as Valnalón.

Source: Estancias de formación en empresas para el profesorado de FP del sistema educativo, enseñanzas artísticas y enseñanzas deportivas. Convocatoria 2016.

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