

MALNAVA COLLEGE

17.07.2014. T&L: Malnava College in Rezekne, Daugavpils, Riga, Pskov, Vilani and Vitebsk exhibitions!

In order to promote quality professional education and cross-border cooperation of Latvia and Russia, Malnava College, Pskov Agrotechnical College (Russia) and society "Academic Park" with joint educational offer and joint stand participated in 6 exhibitions in Latvia, Russia and Belarus - Rezekne, Daugavpils, Riga, Pskov, Vilani and Vitebsk. Malnava College is one of the oldest vocational training institutions in Latvia, famous for its educational and study programme in Vehicle Transport. Lecturers and students of Malnava College together with colleagues from Pskov Agrotechnical College and Academic Park worked in the joint project exhibition stand.

J.Bozovičs (Director of Malnava College): Students from near and far neighbourhoods study in Malnava College – in total 32 counties (*novadi*) are represented. Our students come from all over Latgale and also from Aluksne, Madona, Gulbene, Jekabpils, Pierīga regions and Riga. I highly appreciate our joint participation in the exhibitions this year, visitors showed active interest in our educational programmes in vehicle transport, rural business, financing and accounting. We are satisfied that in the new study year 2014/2015 we will offer improved and upgraded study courses in vehicle transport, modern equipment in vehicle electronics testing lab, at the moment we are working on development of distance learning system. Malnava College has also participated in other exhibitions in Latgale region, in Zemgale, in other places in Latvia and outside Latvia. Let me express our gratitude to the staff and students of Malnava College who participated in the exhibitions and represented Malnava College. Spring and summer of 2014 was quite a marathon of exhibitions. Our task was to address potential students, to show the excellent possibilities to obtain 1-st level higher vocational education in Malnava College, and to obtain a proper and useful profession in such fields as vehicle transport, mechanics, auto electronics, logistics, business, financing. This is marketing in Malnava's taste – student himself/herself can better explain and show things to a potential student! And we have quite good things!



Malnava College present students



.... and future students?

International exhibition AUTO 2014. Interest in educational offer in the field of transport and logistics was huge. The staff of the joint stand emphasised that this exhibition was special with a large number of visitors - families with children, young people. While adults were more interested in practicalities (state funding, hostel, communication, qualification of staff, timetable etc), young people tested stands, but the youngest visitors tested a real Rtg-Mobile. And they felt quite good! Malnava College students Viktorija Eiduka (1st photo, on the left) and Raimonds Zunda (1st photo, on the right). (Photo by Viktors Indričāns, Malnava College)

V.Indričāns (Deputy Director for studies and research, Malnava College, ELRII-285 Project Manager) tells: "Within the framework of the project ELRII-285 "Improvement of higher vocational education in the field of transport and logistics" (T&L) we participated in such exhibitions as SCHOOL 2014 (SKOLA 2014, already provided information), "Education and

Carrier 2014" (Izglītība un karjera 2014, 27.03.2014., Rezekne), "Education Opportunities 2014" (Izglītības iespējas 2014, 04.04.2014., Daugavpils), AUTO 2014 (11.-13.04.2014., Rīga), "Pskov-Expo" (22.-24.05.2014., Pskov, Russia), "Rural Days 2014" (Lauku Dienas 2014, 10.07.2014., Vilani, we also participated in this exhibition in 2013), "Slavyanskiy kaleydoskop 2014" (9.-13.07.2014., Vitebsk, Belarus).

Together with Malnava College such partner organizations from Latvia and Russia as Academic park and Pskov Agrotechnical College (Russia) took part in the exhibitions. In total in the framework of the project we planned to participate in 10 exhibitions, so by the beginning of the new study year we still have things to do. Our strategic aim is to provide information on the improved study programme and studying opportunities to both – students and employers in the field of transport and logistics. In general we have to confirm that there was a great interest in our educational offer. It should be emphasised that some entrepreneurs have already spoken to us, offering both – ideas for training meeting the needs of labour market, and inviting students for internship and offering jobs. The admission for vehicle transport study programme has started in Malnava College (phone +37165733425), and it will show to what extent we have reached the goal. We regard Malnava College as one of the best educational establishments in Latvia in the field of vehicle transport.

In the new study year we will provide to our students in vehicle transport the following improved and updated study courses, satisfying the modern market requirements and latest technologies: "Vehicle structure", "Vehicle maintenance and diagnostics", "Internal combustion engines", "Vehicle electrical equipment and electronics", "Vehicle technical exploitation and repair" (study materials, visual aids, tests), training in vehicle electronics testing lab (digital microscope, stroboscope, signal imitator, oscilloscopes, multimeters, engine tester, power supply module, soldering station, conductor finder etc), library resources (new books and study materials in Latvian, Russian, English in electronics, transport, logistics, business, ICT etc). At the moment we are working on development of distance learning system, so the studies will be available in distance learning mode; we will start with vehicle transport study programme, further on the system will be supplemented with other study programmes. Distance learning equipment was obtained within the Project.

Along with improving the educational offer our academic staff improve their knowledge and competences: training in logistics, distance learning, other specific subjects will be held in August 2014. To my mind, our lectures have gained a lot from experience exchange with academic staff of other universities, CEOs of transport and logistics companies, practitioners of the field and also from participation in the exhibitions, including Frankfurt Motor Exhibition planned in September 2014. It should be stressed that all the mentioned above study courses are provided in Malnava College in Latvian, while in Pskov Agrotechnical College – similar subjects are in Russian. We make joint efforts to prepare the training material also in English. We would like to tell You more about the 4 exhibitions."

Regional exhibition "Education and Carrier 2014" (Izglītība un karjera 2014)

Time: 27.03.2014.

Place: East-Latvia Creative Service Centre "Zeimuļs", Krasta street 31, Rezekne, Latvia

Number of visitors: 320

Individual consultations on educational opportunities: 180

Malnava College with its partners – Pskov Agrotechnical College (Russia) and Academic Park (Latvia) participated in the exhibition with a joint exhibition stand. One of the "features" exposed by Malnava College was a car demonstration model produced by the students of Malnava College themselves, and it was possible not only to see but also to fit in a role of the driver and operate the devices. The students call this car *X-RayCar* or *X-Ray Mobile*, because like in X-ray one can see all the nodes, connections and parts, all of them carefully assembled. In total 10 vocational and higher education institutions took part at the exhibition from all over Latvia and – Russia.



Estonia – Latvia – Russia Cross Border Cooperation Programme within the European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument 2007-2013 financially supports joint cross border development activities for the improvement of the region's competitiveness by utilising its potential and beneficial location on the crossroads between the EU and Russian Federation. The Programme web-site is www.estlatrus.eu

S.Baltace (Coordinator in Latgale Region for Latvia's Employers Confederation, Board member of Rezekne Entrepreneurs Society, the main organizer of this exhibition): "Each year the exhibition is different, because we go on with looking for more interesting and more attractive ways to address young people, stimulate them to think about their choice for future profession. This year we organized thematic meetings with representatives of various fields, held profession research activities, competitions. Why business society organizes such an undertaking? This is contribution of business community to better future of young people, because employers need qualified and educated employees. Regardless of where and how far the young people go in for training, Latgale entrepreneurs hope that the young people will come back to their native towns and settlements with the gained knowledge and experience. We are glad that in surveys the young people more often mention technical specialities as future profession. We also highly appreciate vocational education programmes offered by Malnava College; the joint stand drew special attention of visitors. The exhibition was attended by school students from Rezekne, young people from Aglona secondary school, Ludza town gymnasium, Ezernieki secondary school, Nautreni secondary school, Preili State gymnasium etc."



Exhibition "Education and Carrier 2014" (Izglītība un karjera 2014). Malnava College X-Ray Car: ladies in vehicle transport! During Rezekne exhibition this quite an actively functioning X-Ray Mobile was super popular among the visitors: it was explored, examined, asked questions about ... it was run at high speed, it was simply loved and – the car itself came alive as in spring! Rezekne, 27.03.2014. (Photo by Kristaps Kalabanovs, ARPC "Zeimujs")

V.Indričāns, Project Manager: "The exhibition "Education and Carrier 2014" (Izglītība un karjera 2014) was the first regional level exhibition within the framework of our project, and both teachers and students were carefully preparing for it. From the beginning till the end of the exhibition many visitors were approaching our stand. Especially, young people were interested in the modules, produced by our students, they also had discussions about electronics, mechanics, mathematics and physics. It was our conception – everything made by ourselves and that's why easily and clearly explained and tried. The X-Ray Mobile fitted in the best possible way and it greeted the visitors at the main entrance of the hall. During the studies our students learn about car structures, technical maintenance, car repair,

electrical devices and car electronics, diagnostics, welding, locksmithing, etc. The students learn modern technologies to be able to coop with brand-new cars and to bring to life old cars. Qualified professional has golden hands and a wise head can manage anything!"

Opening ceremony of the exhibition "Education and Carrier 2014". S.Baltace (2nd from the right) gives a floor to Director of "Zeimuļs", J.Kušča (in the middle). In the background - staff of Malnava College stand, teachers and students. Rezekne, 27.03.2014. (Photo by Kristaps Kalabanovs, ARPC "Zeimuļs")



Exhibition "Education and Carrier 2014". Young people are interested in how ignition system model works and what training is offered by Malnava College; teacher Valentīna Gorpiniča and her student Raimonds Zunda. Rezekne, 27.03.2014. (Photo by Kristaps Kalabanovs, ARPC "Zeimuļs")



Regional exhibition "Education Opportunities 2014" (Izglītības iespējas 2014)

Time: 04.04.2014.

Place: "Renesanse", Vienības street 30, Daugavpils, Latvia

Number of visitors: 200

Individual consultations on educational opportunities: 75

Malnava College with its partners – Pskov Agrotechnical College (Russia) and Academic Park (Latvia) participated in the exhibition with a joint exhibition stand. **Yulia Tikhanova** (Head of International Relations Department of Pskov Agrotechnical College, ELRII-285 Project Manager) tells the following: "Partnership inspires us and generates new ideas. The Project goes far more beyond transport and logistics, the Project is about young people who now

have better prospects for education and better opportunities for professional carrier. Human values are the same everywhere – at your place in Malnava or Daugavpils, at our place in Pskov. We are glad that during project implementation period we as educational establishment were able to prove ourselves and gained the status of college. Now we see new opportunities. We are satisfied with project benefits: improved training programme, distance learning equipment, study books and materials. The teachers of Pskov college and Malnava college met within this project for the first time, and now such exchange visits are regular, everybody benefits from it. Joint participation at exhibitions in Latvia and Russia is useful for both colleges. "

Exhibition "Education Opportunities 2014". Representatives and teachers of Pskov Agrotechnical College, Ludmila Ivanova, Nataliya Simayeva and Ilya Andreyev just before the official opening of the exhibition. The hand-outs on training offer are ready for dissemination, we are glad to visit Daugavpils and work in the joint stand! Daugavpils, 04.04.2014. (Photo by Yulia Tikhanova, Pskov Agrotechnical College)



Exhibition "Education Opportunities 2014". Teachers and students of Malnava College work together in the stand and provide information to visitors. In the picture: students Anda Apša (in front), Viktorija Eiduka, Deputy Director Anna Bozoviča, student Raimonds Zunda answer the questions of the visitors. Daugavpils, 04.04.2014. (Photo by Juris Bozovičs, Malnava College)



Irina (visitor of the exhibition): "I liked your stand very much – attractive, dynamic, lots of information. It is good that many students are in the stand and they answered all the questions. I think, I'm interested in going to Malnava College for my education, I'll regard it."

International exhibition AUTO 2014

Time: 11.-13.04.2014.

Place: Exhibition hall "Ķīpsala", Ķīpsalas street 8, Riga, Latvia

Number of visitors: 34 695

Individual consultations on educational opportunities: 770

Malnava College with its partners – Pskov Agrotechnical College (Russia) and Academic Park (Latvia) participated in the exhibition with a joint exhibition stand. **V.Indričāns** (Project Manager): "In the exhibition AUTO 2014 we offered information about higher vocational education, we had prepared booklets, film, took with us to the exhibition stands and modules made by our students, our X-Ray Mobile. We went on with our tradition when our partner organization cooperate (Malnava College, Pskov Agrotechnical College, Academic Park) and our teachers and students cooperate. This exhibition was quite specific because among the visitors a large number of families with children, young people came to our stand. We are pleased to participate in the exhibition, we gain new impressions, experience and friends."



Exhibition AUTO 2014. Joint stand of the project ELRII-285 and the staff, students and teachers (from left to right): Dainis Pauniņš, teacher Pjotrs Žukovs, Juris Jaungailis, Raimonds Zunda, Jānis Laizāns, Viktorija Eiduka, Anda Apša, teachers Aleksejs Cvetkovs and Jānis Novikovs, Pskov Agrotechnical College teacher Olga Gorlanova and director Sergei Iankin (Photo by Viktors Indričāns, Malnava College)

Janis (visitor of exhibition), when asked about impressions, says: "Cool! I thought that Malnava College is located nearby Riga, now I know that it is in Latgale and near the Russian border. You have so many things going there! It is really good that you came here to the exhibition. What did I like most of all? Girls and cars (*laughs*)! But seriously speaking – respect to those young people who made the (X-Ray) car, it's a good idea – getting an old *trash* and tuning it. Can you also drive it on the road?"

Elita (visitor of exhibition): "Impressive work! You are among the 3 best! Excellent, just go on!"

International Exhibition PSKOV-EXPO 2014

Time: 22.-24.05.2014.

Place: Pskov, Russia

Number of visitors: 4000

Individual consultations on educational opportunities: 300

Pskov Agrotechnical College and its partners from Latvia – Malnava College and Academic Park represented their educational services and offer during 3 days of work of the 21st international exhibition PskovExpo 2014. More than 130 participants from Pskov and Pskov region, Moscow, St. Petersburg, Novgorod, Smolensk region, Latvia, Lithuania and Belarus demonstrated their production and offer.

The stand of Pskov Agrotechnical College and its partners aroused heightened interest among visitors and were the only institutions from the field of education. Students and teachers of the joint stand provided the information to the visitors about the ongoing educational programmes, admission regulations and future outlook.



Pskov-EXPO 2014. Joint stand of the project ELRII-285. Staff, teachers and students (from left to right): Valentina Mukhaelian, Yulia Tikhanova, Olga Bozhkova, Shnurova Anita, Sergey Yankin, Oksana Tarasova, Aleksandr Ustratov, Pimenova Arina, Boris Vashchenko, Ekaterina Marasanova.

Exhibition RURAL DAYS 2014 (LAUKU DIENAS 2014)

Time: 10.07.2014.

Place: Vilani, Latvia

Individual consultations on educational opportunities: 75

Malnava College with its partners – Pskov Agrotechnical College (Russia) and Academic Park (Latvia) participated in the exhibition with a joint exhibition stand. Malnava College and

Pskov Agrotechnical College provides training to specialists for both vehicle transport and agriculture.

For several years in the middle of summer on the road edge of Vilani – Rezekne motorway „Latgale Agricultural Science Centre” Ltd and Rezekne county municipality organize Rural Days. This year the Rural Days were attended by many visitors and guests from almost all places of Latvia. The participants demonstrated latest achievements of agricultural machinery, provided information on technologies of growing crops and related machinery and equipment, demonstrated the newest breeds of summer rape and hemp.



RURAL DAYS 2014 IN VILANI. Partners from Malnava College, Pskov Agrotechnical College, Academic Park worked in the joint exhibition stand. In the picture: in front - J.Bozovičs (Director of Malnava College) and V.Indričāns (Deputy Director for studies and research of Malnava College). From left to right representatives and teachers: I.Deniškāne-Ruskule, A.Pavlov, T.Yuhno, O.Bozhkova, O.Gorlanova, S.Sutra, Deputy Director for vocational secondary education A.Bozoviča, A.Vorkalis, V.Naglis, A.Ruskulis. (Photo by Dainis Poikāns, Malnava College)

International Exhibition “Slavyanskiy kaleydoskop 2014”

Time: 9.-13.07.2014.

Place: Vitebsk, Belarus

Number of visitors: 25 000

Individual consultations on educational opportunities: 700

Pskov Agrotechnical College and its project partners – Malnava College (Latvia) and Academic Park (Latvia) participated with the joint stand at “Slavyanskiy kaleydoskop 2014” organised by the Vitebsk Branch of the Belarusian Chamber of Commerce and industry.

The exhibition was universal and demonstrated products and services of different fields ranging from educational and tourism services to industrial production. **Nadezhda Verenich** (visitor of the exhibition): “We came from Mogilev and could not pass by the

stand of our Neighbors. We have a son and the next year he will leave school. It's great that today we got to know about your institutions and to my mind he should think of training in one of them!"



Slavyanskiy kaleydoskop 2014. From left to right: Valentina Mukhaelian, Sergey Yankin, Yulia Tikhanova.

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RURAL DAYS 2014 IN VILANI (Photo by Dainis Poikāns, Malnava College)

To potential students – welcome to Malnava College and Pskov College in the new study year! Need a proper profession – join us!