

The Center for continuing academic education (ZWW) – Fields of activity

One of the main topics of our institution is the question of how to create continuing adult education in the sense of lifelong learning, that is focused on resources and the development of expertise and soft skills of every individual.

Besides the further trainings we offer on an academic level, we also have an interest in bringing the principle of lifelong learning close to those who are distanced from the educational system.

That is how the idea came up to get involved with the education of prisoners.

Concerning the contents of our FEFI-project another important field of activity of the ZWW is „gender equality“:

- „Führungskompetenz - weibliche Nachwuchsführungskräfte fördern, Unternehmen stärken“
-> **Gender equality**: Programme for the encouragement and advancement of female junior managers
- „Gleichstellungsbeauftragte in Rheinland-Pfalz“ -> Providing a network-homepage for equal opportunity commissioners (Gleichstellungsbeauftragte) in Rhineland-Palatinate
- “Gender working - Gleichstellung im Beruf“ -> „Job-related equality of treatment“ (contact studies developed for employed persons)

(Mrs. Dr. Hörr already mentioned that) it is important to widen the horizon by looking ahead of the own national boundaries by being part of international projects or learning partnerships. In this tenor we are offering the contact study:

- EUROMIR -> “European migration”: Dealing with processes of migration and their outcomes on a political, economic and cultural level with the aim of an increase of intercultural competences and understanding

As the Vice president already mentioned, we are working in the field of education and training in the context of prisons since 2008.

-> Besides advising and qualifying staff of juvenile correctional facilities as well as detainees, we currently offer two further trainings for prison staff (in cooperation with the ministry of justice and consumer protection):

- 1) „Bildungsberatung und Kompetenzentwicklung im JV“ -> Further training to become prison-based educational counselors, that means providing the staff with the necessary expertise like skill identification and development, transitional phase management (Übergangsmanagement), counseling the selection of vocational and educational options and so on...
- 2) “Wohngruppenvollzug als Lernfeld” -> “residential groups in juvenile prisons as a place of lifelong learning”

And more....

...but this should be enough to gain an overview. I hope you received an expression on the variety of the operational range of the ZWW. Thank you for listening!

In addition to the already mentioned fields of activity the ZWW organizes

- „Studying at 50plus“, which is a structured study program with events and seminars that are oriented to the interests and needs of older individuals, offering the opportunity for professional study, as well as a diploma (certificate).

Other than that there are various contact studies developed for employed persons, like:

- “Öffentlichkeitsarbeit und Marketing” -> Further “Public relations and marketing”
- „Lehren lernen – Lernen lehren“ -> „Learning how to teach – teaching how to learn“: goes out to persons that work in the field of adult education and are trainers of further education
- “Sprachandragogik” -> Further education for the specific topic “Teaching foreign languages to adults”
- „Führen in Balance“ -> „Balanced Leading“: Further education for persons in leading positions in the sector of fostering
- „Qualifizierung für Studienfachberatende“ -> „Qualification for personnel of the student consultation offices“: Aim: Increase in professionalism of the counseling and competency development of students