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Workshop 1: 01-04 April 2025 in Žilina, Slovakia

REPORT

Day 1: 01.04.2025

The first day of the workshop 1 of Erasmus+ project AI TOOLS FOR VET SCHOOLS (AIVET) was held in the conference room in Faculty of Security Engineering of University of Žilina and hosted by ICEP – Institute of European Certification of Personnel established in Slovakia. The program started with welcoming of Adelaida Fanfarová who is the project manager in ICEP and closely cooperates with the above-mentioned university. Adelaida provided all project participants with the agenda and detailed information related to planned programs and activities for the upcoming four days. Then there was the presentation about Žilina and Slovakia. Then Adelaida gave the word to Dejan Aleksovski, director of Tehnička škola in Serbia, who was informed the project partners about some project activities that have already been done and are currently being worked on. The next activities were related to important parts of the project management, such as main project objectives, next activities and tasks, expected results and related deadlines. After this we went together through of the planned work packages – project implementation and project coordination and evaluation. After the meeting we had a common cultural program – a practical exploring walk around city center of Žilina with the very special visit of lookout tower in the city center. This first day was closed in the common networking dinner at local restaurant.





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Day 2: 02.04.2025

The second day started near the Faculty of Security Engineering of University of Žilina where we had our meeting point for our common cultural program. At 09:30 AM we all met in front of the faculty and got on a minibus to our first part of cultural visit. The minibus took us to Strečno - a small village near to Žilina, where we had booked a cruise on traditional Slovak wooden rafts and together, we rafted the Váh - the longest river in Slovakia. During the cruise we had beautiful views of the surroundings, two castles, beautiful nature and we learned a lot of interesting information. After this teambuilding activity we had a common traditional lunch in wooden hut Koliba Panoráma where we could taste traditional homemade dishes typical for Slovak cuisine. After lunch and small coffee break, we had a common transfer to the Budatín castle - the monument with the oldest preserved parts from the 14th century is already documented in writing in the 13th century with furnished period interior and rare historical and collection objects, where we had booked a guided tour in English. After the nice tour inside the whole castle premises, we visited the unique tinkering exhibition - a very special exhibition of traditional Slovak craftsmanship in Europe. The tinkering craft and art are included in the UNESCO Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity. The cultural program ended after a visit of Chapel of Budatín Castle, dating from the mid-18th century and nice walk in the castle park by common transfer in booked minibus around 17:00 PM back to Žilina.





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Day 3: 03.04.2025

The third day continued in the conference room in Faculty of Security Engineering of University of Žilina. We started with some icebreaker activities for teambuilding to support and foster our cooperation. Thanks to Ladislav Mariš, one of the teachers at the University of Žilina, we had the opportunity to visit the computer laboratory, where the full-time students of the course Fundamentals of Programming in the study program Security Management, where Ladislav was currently teaching, were currently being educated. After a short presentation of the university study process, we went back to the meeting room and continued our program according to the agenda. Boban Blagojević from high school Tehnička škola in Serbia presented the created course of „Fundamentals of Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning" based on the school's platform. We went through all the course, saw all the modules and exercises. We agreed that each project partner must check the content of the entire course, make translations into the languages of the partner countries and check the functionality of the exercises and references included in the entire course. Everyone will have access to the platform, and we will jointly collect feedback from both teachers and students from each school. After lunch we continuously continued in the common workshop with the review, coordination and planning of further activities. Sandra Nobre and Carla Lima, the partners from high school Agrupamento de Escolas Tomás Cabreira in Portugal prepared a presentation to introduce the subpage they have created on Moodle for their school and together we discussed some theoretical and practical issues with the project partners. It was agreed that it was okay if one of the partners did not use all the materials contained in the course and all the results of the project. Each can use what is useful to them in terms of teaching their students in their school. We ended the working day with few questions and a joint discussion, during which we also confirmed the rescheduling of the next midterm meeting in Pirot, Serbia to 30.06.-04.07.2025, which will be organized by Tehnička škola and is more convenient for all project partners.





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Day 4: 04.04.2025

The fourth and last day we also met in Faculty of Security Engineering of University of Žilina. Together we went on a tour to visit the campus of the University of Žilina. During the guided tour we visited the newest building of university - the University Science Park, we looked at the various AI and security laboratories, we passed through the Rector's Office building, we visited the lecture and conference rooms and we finished our tour in the University Menza - the catering facility of the University of Žilina, where we ended our workshop with a summary lunch.

