

# Factsheet Virtual Collaboration Challenge

In the 6-week virtual collaboration challenge (similar to a hackathon), students from several countries work in mixed teams on a real-world task and pitch their final results to a jury. The mentor-led format allows students to improve their 21st Century Skills. The criteria-based performance validation in the participation offers students a differentiation in their future job search process. Competences involved:

virtual team collaboration

intercultural awareness digital collaboration tools project management communication in English

# Upcoming project tasks (can be chosen by each team)

- Marketing strategy for start-up in team sports analysis
- Concept to reduce tobacco consumption among youth

# Level of students

Upper Secondary level (years 11-12), VET apprentices, higher VET students, Bachelor / Master students

#### Team size

Approx. 4-7 students per team (teams will be globally mixed by Birkenvale)

# **Program Schedule**



Duration 6 weeks, virtual part-time assignment, time investment 4-6 hours per week (30 learning hours in total).

#### Role of school/faculty member

- Promotion of virtual student challenge among students
- Single point of contact for student registration and invoicing

#### **Optional role of faculty member**

Participation as a team mentor (active in kick-off meeting and final virtual pitch participation, weekly calls with team, co-assessment of team performance based on criteria-based report)



#### Evaluation

- Self-evaluation of participants before and after the virtual collaboration challenge
- Pitch Evaluation through jury with criteria-based team performance report
- Winning team receives social media promotion

#### IT requirements for participants

Internet access, Google Hangout. We provide free access to collaboration platform for participants.

# Costs

See separate pricelist.

# **Project Organizer**

Co-creation of Birkenvale GmbH (www.birkenvale.ch – official mobility partner of the Swiss Movetia agency for the exchange of young professionals in Europe) and Dual Academy AG (www.dual.ac)

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