



## *Newsletter 2: Improving the Employability of People with Hearing Impairments – proHear*



### **About proHear project**

ProHear is an ERASMUS + project and started in November 2017 and ending in 2019.

The main goal is to provide *integrated support* tailored to the needs and specificities of *people with hearing impairments* through the development of innovative training tools and materials in order to increase motivation and self-awareness, create incentives for acquiring new soft skills necessary for efficient job search and employment performance and thus promote *efficient integration of hearing impaired people into employment*.

The proHear **target groups** are:

- *people with hearing impairments*, with different employment status (inactive/ unemployed/ employed);
- *project stakeholders* who may affect and be affected by an activity and outcome of a project (organizations of and for people with disabilities, educational institutions, employers, rehabilitation, employment and social services, social partners and policy makers).

### **What have we done so far?**

- 1) **Survey and Gap Analysis Synthesis Report** – Intellectual output 1 is now completed! You can check the findings in our Executive Summary available in all partner languages on the project website.
- 2) **Innovative Training Content** – the proHear training course is being developed! We have prepared 6 training modules for you on the following subjects:
  - ✓ Module 1: Self- and opportunities awareness
  - ✓ Module 2: Job searching skills and channels
  - ✓ Module 3: Preparation of a Europass CV and cover letter
  - ✓ Module 4: Preparation for a job interview
  - ✓ Module 5: Soft skills on the workplace
  - ✓ Module 6: Technical solutions on the workplace for people with hearing impairments and their employers
- 3) **Interactive e-learning Platform** – the proHear training platform is now in its test phase! Check our General Discussion Forum and Open Educational Resources for more useful information. Soon our course will be available in English, Polish, Bulgarian, Lithuanian and Icelandic!

*Find out more about the project on our communication channels:*

**- Project website:**

<http://prohear.eu/>

**- ProHear Facebook page:**

<https://www.facebook.com/ProHearProject/>

**- ProHear Platform:**

<http://prohear-platform.eu/>

**- ProHear YouTube channel:**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCf9NqB2Jn29KZU1hl-1w5xg>

## Local Info Days

Project multiplier events were organized in Poland, Bulgaria and Lithuania in May 2018. The aim was to present the proHear project and the results from the Survey and Gap Analysis to all of you deaf or hard of hearing and you – professionals working with hearing impaired people. We are happy that we had the chance to discuss the topic “*Employment integration – challenges and opportunities for hearing impaired people*” and thank you for the interest shown in our future project activities!



**Local Info Day in Poland**  
30.06.2018



**Local Info Day in Bulgaria**  
28.06.2018



**Local Info Day in Lithuania**  
26.06.2018

## Welcome note!

There was a change in the ProHear project consortium. Our new partner from Iceland is:



**UNIVERSITY OF ICELAND**  
**SCHOOL OF EDUCATION**

**The University of Iceland** (Háskóli Íslands) is the country's oldest and largest institution of higher education. It was founded in 1911 and is now leading modern comprehensive university with more than 14 000 students.

## Who we are?

ProHear partnership consists of 6 organizations from 4 European countries:

**University of Social Science, Poland**  
**Polish Association of the Deaf Lodz Department, Poland**  
**The Union of the Deaf in Bulgaria, Bulgaria**  
**European Center for Quality Ltd, Bulgaria**  
**Valakupiai Rehabilitation Centre (VRC), Lithuania**  
**University of Iceland, Iceland**

