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Learn and Work Abroad

What is in it for your company?

- » The crafts sector is becoming more international. More and more companies are extending their business beyond borders
- » With cross border vocational education your company will widen its international network and be introduced to new partners.
- » Your apprentices/employees will gain important professional competencies and language skills.
- » Good trainees can be tied to the company with international experience.
- » Your company can develop experience and knowledge in dealing with intercultural communication
- » Exchange with an apprentice from abroad is possible

Brian, metalworker:

'It was very exciting to work in a company in Norway. I thought I would miss my friends at home terribly but I made lots of new friends. Not only Norwegian, but people from all over the world work in the company.'

What is cross border vocational education and training?

More information. **One apprentice/employee:**

- » learn and work abroad as part of the vocational education and training for a longer period (3 weeks at least, 9 months at most)
- » be fully immersed in a new culture by living, working and learning abroad

- » learn and practice new operating procedures
- » learn a foreign language at the work place and during leisure time
- » continue vocational education and training abroad without losing time

Lucy, Carpenter in Lancaster:

'When Mark returned from Spain I hardly recognized him. His behaviour is very professional and self confident. Now he is able to solve problems he wouldn't have been able to solve on his own before...'

Your national partner in learning and working abroad can help you

- » to find a suitable foreign partner company for a long term relationship
- » to assist in financial support
- » to make arrangements for a training schedule to continue vocational education abroad
- » to prepare your apprentice with a language or cultural programme
- » to provide model contracts, insurance etc.

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