

# Erasmus+ Annual Conference 2020

## Speaker bios

**Session one – Tuesday 22 September 10.00 – 11.30**

### **Case study speakers**

#### **Anne Amzallag**

Anne Amzallag is a French teacher as well as the International Coordinator at Bredon Hill Academy in rural Worcestershire. Anne has been involved in many international activities and partnerships with other European schools for the last 15 years through eTwinning, Comenius and Erasmus+. In the last three years, she has had the privilege to coordinate the Erasmus+ KA2 project 'Let Us Grow Our Own Green Future', working in partnership with a school in Austria.

#### **Dana-Marie Knetsch**

Dana-Marie Knetsch is a London College of Fashion, MSc Strategic Management student, originally from Germany. In 2019 Dana undertook a 12-month Erasmus+ internship with Nike Europe in the Netherlands. Due to the impact of COVID-19, she undertook a rapid transition from an in-person internship to digital internship, with all its horizon-broadening effects and learnings.

#### **Dominic McGeown**

As Enterprise coordinator for South West College in Northern Ireland, Dominic McGeown works with students to raise awareness of the exciting opportunities that are available within entrepreneurship. With a background in business development, Dominic's aim is to show students how their creative idea can be nurtured to become a fully-fledged business.

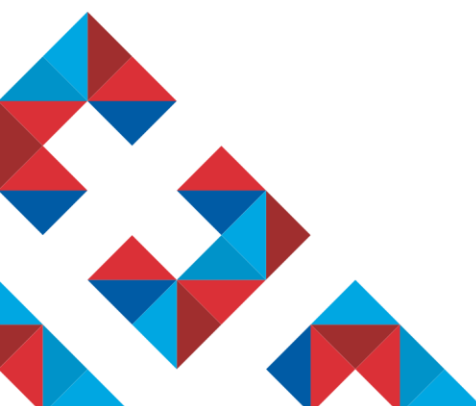
### **Panellists**

#### **Non Neave**

Non Neave is the headteacher of Old Road Primary School, in Llanelli, Carmarthenshire. Old Road Primary School was awarded Erasmus+ funding for the project 'Involving Parents, Developing Communities', successfully engaging with parents to improve pupils' attainment.

#### **Bob Gilmour**

Bob is a Professor of Learning and Teaching with a PhD in Public Health Engineering and 20+ years' experience in Higher Education Institutions. Bob was Principal Investigator of the award winning 'PEETs' project - a three year multidisciplinary and multicultural best practice Erasmus+ KA2 project. He is currently mentoring the PI for the Entrecamp Certificate Schools Strategic



Partnership and embarking on a new strategic partnership project 'Sustainable Fashion Employability Skills' led by Glasgow Caledonian University.

## Session two – Wednesday 23 September 10.00 – 11.30

### Case study speakers

#### **Geoff Spinks**

Geoff Spinks is the Erasmus+ European Project Manager for Vocational Programmes at Morthyng Group Limited. Morthyng Group has been operating successful European mobility projects for over 30 years. The organisation's current project has partners in Belgium and Spain, in retail, construction and performing arts.

#### **Andreu Gual**

Andreu Gual is the co-founder and COO of Corkscrew, as well as the co-founder and Learning Lead for Xperienceships. Over the last few years, he has created and facilitated learning spaces for more than 1,000 participants ranging from vocational education students to life-science postdocs as well as to professional chefs and executives. He focuses on experiential learning environments with strong focus on, entrepreneurship, creativity and innovation. Corkscrew partners with universities and learning organisations in Australia, Canada, Mexico, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, UK and USA.

### Panellists

#### **Marguerite Hogg**

Marguerite has 24 years of international education experience in the UK further education sector. She has been working with the Association of Colleges since 2007, initially leading engagement in international projects as well as supporting member colleges in their internationalisation work, but more recently moved into national policy development relating to adult education. Prior to this, Marguerite was International Coordinator at Leeds Thomas Danby College focusing mainly on EU funded projects and partnerships.

#### **Siân Holleran**

Siân joined ColegauCymru/CollegesWales in November 2010. Siân's main areas of work include coordinating a programme of overseas training opportunities for staff, learners and apprentices, acting for the Welsh Government as the National Contact Point for EU initiatives and selling Wales to the world through working collaboratively with international partners.

#### **Katherina Latta**

Katherine Latta is the Head of European Programmes at UK NARIC. She joined the organisation in 2009 and currently coordinates the delivery of UK NARIC's portfolio of Erasmus+ KA2 and KA3 projects, such as 'Aligning Badges, ESCO and the Certificate Supplement'. She manages the National Europass and ReferNet centres for the UK, the Centre for Professional Qualifications and is the ECVET National Contact Point for England.