

YOUTH CENTURY

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Editorial

Dear readers,

We are really happy that you chose to read our magazine that is devoted to all young motivated people.

As international young people equipped with different experiences, we wanted to write some helpful articles on some topics that we found important and interesting for youth generation help them be more successful and succeed on job market.

Your team



What can you gain thanks to opportunities in Europe



Many teenagers, live with their parents and had never really left the "family nest" making a first trip represents a separation that is for some a real ordeal. Some organizations in Europe like Erasmus+, is a programme for the exchange of students and teachers between universities. There are voluntary and cultural exchange associations call on volunteers for missions all over Europe and around the world. If you have the desire to go to discover other cultures, help others in need, live a unique experience, have a rewarding experience with confidence.

Moreover, finding a job for a young person is not easy, finding one's first job is even less so. Companies require experience and to have experience you have to work. Then, NGOs can be a good opportunity to have this first professional experience.

When employers look at CV, they are often looking for signs of motivation, and willingness among applicants. Volunteering abroad also helps to develop qualities and skills that can be useful in future jobs. Experience outside of one's own country allows to compare the aspects of work under several angles.

Volunteering is also a good opportunity to get to know each other better, to really know what your interests are and sometimes to know what you want or don't want to do in life. Europe opens the doors of the world to young Europeans, it broadens our horizons, changes its way of thinking. This is beneficial regardless of the duration of the volunteering that can be short such as cultural exchanges that last between 1-2 weeks or medium and long term volunteering that range from 2 months to 1 year.

Written by Rubens



Professional social media and how do they can be helpful for us

All young people knows and uses social media, especially Facebook and Instagram. These social media help them to stay in contact with their friends, share information with them and stay informed.

However, social media can be used not only for entertainment, but they can also help you to find a job in the field you are interested in. Moreover, be active on some professional social media increase your chances to identify job opportunities, be in close contact with people and network.



LinkedIn

The most used professional media is LinkedIn. It allows to create an is not only an online CV, it allows more dynamic approach and offers more functions such as endorsement where your contacts can confirm your competences. It is recommended to present more than normal paper CV. With LinkedIn you can emphasize skills and competences more than job titles. Moreover, LinkedIn is used by businesses, recruiters, headhunters. Hence, it is the best place to network with people from your field and to track the companies or any other succeDon't forget to connect also with alumni or friends from your college or university. Even them can be a valuable asset who has some good connections.

Twitter

Another useful media can be Twitter. Firstly, it is the best tool that can help you too stay informed and also build a stable network. Don't follow only companies in which you are interested but also interesting leaders working in the field because they can tell you also lots of interesting information. If you find person who work on the same position of your interest, you can have an interesting insight into contect of this position

Other media

Speaking about social media and their use in professional life, you should know that Facebook and Instagram can't help you too. Just keep in mind that these social media are more informal. It is highly recommended not to use your personal account, but rather create one professional account. More and more companies put news from their company to the social media. And to follow them allow you to stay informed about their activities as well as new vacancies.

Don't forget some rules:

- Avoid cliched buzzwords.
- Keep the profile updated!
- Be proactive. Don't only follow but interact or express your interests.
- Stay professional, don't share your personal stuff.

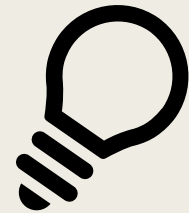
Written by Eliska

Be aware of our skills and competences and know to use them properly



Nowadays, finding a good job that fits in your character and skills might be difficult and seem like a chore. There are plenty of opportunities for each person. Most of the people are just trying to change the environment, their roles and their work at their current jobs, in order to feel more comfortable and more creative according to their skills and competences

Some of that steps might seem useful for those who want to improve themselves by doing something what they like.



- 1) First of all make a list of your strengths and weaknesses. Make clear your interests and be sure if you want to spend time and energy to make a job based on these.
- 2) Think of why your new role is a „must” for you and take risk to start something on your own.
- 3) Don't be afraid to make this job a reality. Plan your steps and your thoughts about the future of this job.
- 4) Be patient, set goals and accomplish them. If it is necessary, ask for help and instructions from an expert.
- 5) Your work might doesn't have the expected results, but that is surely not a failure of your schedule. Don't quit, take as much time as you need.

You may realize that this is difficult and risky but is actually something that helps people be more productive. It is up your own to make your future job an interesting occupation.

Written by Vasso

Perfect CV – Do's and Don'ts

| DO'S  | DONT'S  |
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| Carefully choose your words, don't repeat the same word a lot of times and if possible use various synonyms. | Don't use platitudes, you need to stand out from your competition so try to be original. |
| Watch out for those grammar mistakes, your employer will not take you seriously if you make banal mistakes. | Don't talk about insignificant details which make long sentences, adjust your CV for the job you are applying for. |
| Keep an eye on the design, it is one of the most important aspects. Your best qualities should be top priority while writing a CV. | Don't lie, nobody likes a cheater and if you get caught with a single little lie your employer is going to think everything is a lie. |
| Keep it short, no one wants to fall asleep while reading your CV. | Don't write information that could be negatively viewed by your employer. You are not going to write about how good of a knife thrower you are if you are applying to work at a balloon factory. |
| Do be positive, write about your best qualities and don't show weakness | Don't mention your gender, or the exact number of your age. Don't write about salary expectations or use jargon. |

Written by Maro

Success business story

The young student from Croatia is example of a successful entrepreneur. Lets talk about his story.



I: What is your company about and how did it all start?

A: WebCrate is a a company established a year ago and its main activity is creating mobile and web softwares . Also, we are focusing on IT recruitment.

I: What do you study? How much did your education influence you startup?

A: I study Economics and Business mixed with IT managment. My faculty gave me an opportunity to gain work experience aswell as study about a lot of things that contributed to the creation of WebCrate. I also think that just studying without any work experience is not enough to prepare a student for the labour market after receiving their diploma

I: What are the biggest obstacles you faced so far?

A: The biggest obstacles we faced so far must be lack of trust from other businesses because we are still students, finding funding for our projects was also a consequence of that.

Administrative procedures were a pain in the neck without questions, they take a long time to solve, they are expensive and the worst part is the suspense you feel about whether the matter will be solved or not.

I: What are your future plans? Are you planning to expand your business?

A: Future WebCrate plans are additional expanding of our sales representatives all across Europe and establishing a constant flow of new projects, we would like to contribute to opening new workplaces and decrease the number of people leaving Croatia in search of jobs.

I: What piece of advice would you give to the future young entrepreneurs?

A: I would tell them to analyze their characters because not everyone is suited to become an entrepreneur, it depends on an individual's character, mental strength and willingness to overcome and learn from their failures. It also goes without question that they will have to work the whole day and constantly try to perfect themselves unlike people who work in companies and have a 9 to 5 shift. Working under someone in a company is also a great choice because if everyone was an entrepreneur nobody would actually roll up their sleeves and do the necessary work.

I: Are you satisfied with your results up until this point?

A: Every day is a new challenge, sometimes we work even up to 12 hours a day. I have to admit that we are very happy with the current situation considering our lack of experience and young age. In the upcoming year or two we expect a big spike in our business because the IT industry itself is in the process of expansion and we can see opportunities all around us. Until now, most of our time was spent on making partnerships, establishing a quality sales strategy and global recognition, while the growth of our company and increase in the number of employees is expected in the upcoming years.

Written by Amadej



Word Search

Find the words that appeared in the articles.



CEO (Chief Executive Officer)

CV

COMPETENCES

ENDORSEMENT

ALUMNI

STARTUP

ENTREPRENEUR

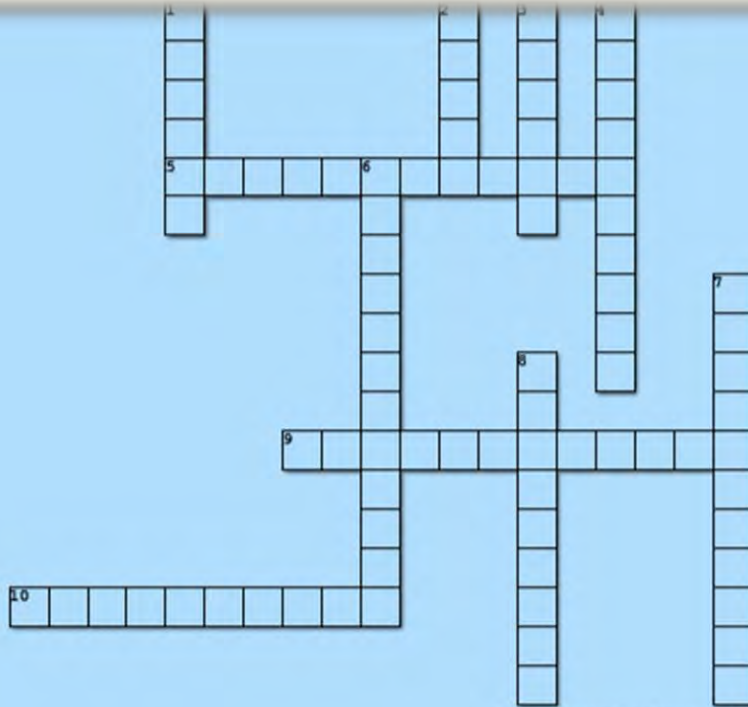
INTERVIEW

COVER LETTER

SKILLS

Crossword

Look for some examples of some jobs.



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Across

- 5. a person who sets up a business or businesses, taking on financial risks in the hope of profit.
- 9. a person qualified to treat diseased or injured animals; a veterinary surgeon.
- 10. a person whose job is to keep or inspect financial accounts.

Down

- 1. a man whose job is to serve customers at their tables in a restaurant
- 2. a public officer appointed to decide cases in a law court.
- 3. a person who practises or studies law, especially (in the UK) a solicitor or a barrister or (in the US) an attorney.
- 4. an expert in the study of the physical features of the earth and its atmosphere, and of human activity as it affects and is affected by.
- 6. a medical practitioner specializing in the diagnosis and treatment of mental illness.
- 7. organise and repair technical equipment
- 8. a person concerned in the management of large amounts of money on behalf of governments or other large organizations

