



## AN ERASMUS+ PROJECT

BUILDING SOCIAL CAPITAL THROUGH CREATIVITY IN THE CONNECTED ECONOMY TO REDUCE REOFFENDING



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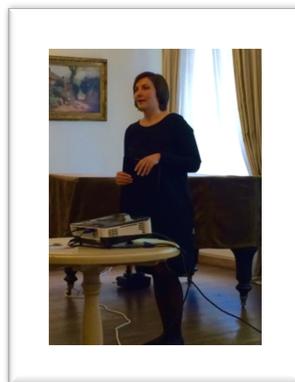
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# CRIMINAL JUSTICE CONFERENCE PANEVEZYS - LITHUANIA

The Erasmus+ project Creativity, The Connected Economy and Offenders (CCEO) held their second multiplier conference in Panevezy on the 29<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

Organised by the Panevezys Correction House at Bistrampolis Manor in Kučiai near Panevezy, the conference was specifically aimed at Directors and staff from prisons across Lithuania.



Conference delegates participated in a selection of training activities presented by CCEO project partners.



The conference explored how the concepts of the CCEO project could be used to help reduce reoffending both in Lithuania and in other EU member states.

Following the conference, Directors of male prisons across Lithuania have expressed interest in exploring how the projects training programme can be used in their prisons.



# Meeting at Panevezys Correction House

On the 28<sup>th</sup> April, hosted by the Panevezys Correction House, the The Erasmus+ project Creativity, The Connected Economy and Offenders (CCEO) held a transnational partnership meeting in the prisons board room.

As part of the transnational meeting, project partners were given a tour of the prison, being allowed to visit the education, work and residential areas.

CCEO transnational partners were given the opportunity to meet with women prisoners who had participated in the projects training programme. All were very positive about their experiences on the programme and were keen to discuss their own business ideas and how they may be realised.

Later in the day a visit was made to the prisons community based house that offers mothers and their children secure accommodation, based in a local residential estate and allows a unique opportunity for innovative resettlement approaches.



## OUR PARTNERSHIP

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## Partner profile

# Panevezys Correction House

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Built in 1893, Panevezys Correction House is Lithuania's only women's prison, with around 270 inmates, including underage girls, mothers and their babies together with women offenders of retirement age and beyond. Residential accommodation is provided in rooms for 5 to 16 prisoners.

One of the prisons main objectives is to "provide opportunities for all prisoners to pursue at least some of their individual needs and aspirations to improve the prospects for their successful social resettlement."

