The project CREDNET - Network for the Accreditation of the Managerial Skills is a transnational network, funded by the Lifelong Learning Programme (Leonardo da Vinci - Networks), that envisages a common framework of competencies and qualifications for the recognition of and validation of entrepreneurial-related and managerial skills acquired in non-formal learning. This will be achieved by developing a certification methodology and criteria to validate informal learning especially for the credibility and recognition of the competencies established. This will help companies widen the applicability of the recognition procedures and the development of a legislative framework on it. It is envisaged managers to be more involved in innovation activities and companies become more competitive.

The partnership of the project is consisted by 8 partners from 7 countries (Greece, Cyprus, Italy, Slovenia, Poland, Latvia, and Romania) and includes all the relevant actors in the field: SMEs, Incubator, SME Association, Adult Education Provider and National Authority for the Certification of Competencies.
Action Synergy S.A. is an ICT R&D, training and knowledge-based applications organization which is actively involved in the development of education technologies, training methodologies and the development of e-learning training courses. It is the coordinator of the project.

Consorzio Arca is a business incubator from Italy located within the University Campus of Palermo. ARCA intends to be an instrument of economic development able to boost the growth and success of innovative business ideas by means of a structured network of resources and services.

The National Council of Small and Medium Sized Private Enterprises in Romania is the only employers’ confederation representing SMEs at national level in Romania.

RTD TALOS is a private research and development organisation from Cyprus specialized in the consultancy around areas of innovation and R&D and in management of European projects.

The Institute of the Republic of Slovenia for Vocational Education and Training is the national public institute of Slovenia which studies developmental trends in labour markets and prepares profiles of occupations and competence-based vocational standards.

The Latvian Chamber of Commerce and Industry is a non-governmental, voluntary organisation uniting Latvian companies of different sectors.

SIA Baltic Brights is an adult education and consulting centre from Latvia with the aim to improve skills and competences of adults in response to labour market needs, to promote their employability and inclusion, to promote entrepreneurship.

Danmar Computers is a private firm which specializes in supplying trainings in the range of IT and implementation of IT systems. Danmar has experience of many years of carrying out EU educational programs, within the framework of which it conducts research and educational activities as well.
The first project meeting of the project CREDNET has been organized in Athens, Greece in the 24th and 25th of November 2011. In this meeting, the project partners had the chance to meet each other for the first time and they have organized all the activities of the project with a special focus on the activities regarding the research for the identification of the existing situation and the needs of the target group.

The second project meeting of the CREDNET project was organized in Ljubljana, Slovenia and the partners analyzed the results of the research activities realized and also scheduled the next activities of the project. Partners had extensive discussions on the methodologies to be developed, with special emphasis on the self evaluation tool. Special session was also dedicated to the development of the training content which is one of the main result of the CREDNET project.
Partners to describe here the content of their own national reports. Don’t forget to change the name of the country in the title!

CREDNET project website

All the important information about the CREDNET project as well as the latest news about the project but also about the field of the validation and recognition of the managerial skills and competencies can be found in the website of the project www.crednetmanager.eu The website is going to be available in 7 European languages (English, Greek, Polish, Slovenian, Italian, Romanian and Latvian). All the main results of the project (including the research results and the methodology for the recognition and accreditation of the managerial skills) are going to be available through the website which will also include links to the e-learning platform, the tool for the publication of the best practices but also the self-evaluation tool. Through the website you can also consult the contact information of all the partners in the project.

For further information please visit the CREDNET project website: www.crednetmanager.eu