

## **OMNIA**

Omnia, the Joint Authority of Education in Espoo Region is a multisector education provider and regional development center that offers upper secondary vocational education and training as well as apprenticeship training for young people and adults, general upper secondary education, youth workshop training as well as non-formal education courses. Omnia provides an opportunity for lifelong learning for people of different ages in different life situations.

Omnia offers flexibility to combine study and leisure activities into meaningful entities for different learners of all ages. Omnia has an important role in developing vocational education and training on regional, national and international level through its wide partner networks.

Omnia is owned by the municipalities of Espoo, Kauniainen and Kirkkonummi and provides services for working life and entrepreneurs in metropolitan area. Omnia has approx. 40,000 learners and 860 professionals that work with them in various tasks. Our services includes customer-oriented education, work-based learning and help for recruiting and services for entrepreneurs.

Omnia offer innovative learning environments, new learning solutions and innovations.

InnoOmnia is an active regional innovation and development center that provides services for working life and for entrepreneurs, innovative learning solutions and development projects together with students, teachers and its wide partner networks. The range of educational development in Omnia includes vocational education, general upper secondary education, youth workshops and liberal adult education.

The Digital Learning Solutions Team of InnoOmnia Development Services acts as a support team for the entire Omnia staff in making the digital leap and engaging them in the use of digital tools as part of their teaching. The team participates in and coordinates projects, both national and international, which currently include for example process digitalization, teacher training, and virtual learning spaces (collaborative web environments, AR, VR and MR). The projects are the key in developing new ideas for educational development in everyday teaching and learning. The Digital Development Team contributes to this goal by developing platforms for digitalization of learning.

Entrepreneurship and employment are key themes aligning all development activities of InnoOmnia and the Digital Learning Solutions Team.

Omnia has comprehensive experiences as lead partner and partner both in national and international education development projects.

International cooperation is one of the strategic pillars of Omnia and the object of development. International activities of Omnia are rising up from working life. In the field of international cooperation Omnia has organized student and teacher exchanges for 12 years with many European countries. Omnia has participated in international projects (e.g. INTERREG IIIA - IVA, different Leonardo da Vinci, Nordplus, Grundtvig and Comenius projects as well as Erasmus+) and has carried out pilot projects as coordinator and partner. The international activities are run by a team of six professionals (head of the department, four coordinators and an assistant). The international team is supported by a project management team and selected teachers from all vocational fields with predetermined resources for the international work.

In this project Omnia will be lead partner by leading of Department of project services. Ms. Sirje Hassinen, Ph. Dr. International Coordinator, will be project manager and Ms. Karoliina Kaski a project financial assistant.