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TRAINING IN TEXTILE: A TRANSFER OF INNOVATION PROJECT AS ELEARNING TOOL

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ABSTRACT

Distance education is becoming an increasingly common and accepted form of learning as the introduction of Information Communication Technologies (ICT) makes the possibilities of Communicating across distances of space and time. Distance Education is unique as it encourages a more flexible learnercentric approach and provides opportunities for learning anywhere and anytime. Therefore, today, there are many private and public, non-profit and for-profit institutions worldwide offering distance education courses from the most basic instruction through to the highest levels of degree and doctoral programs. Vocational education is one of the most common fields where distance education in any form is used. The aim of this paper is to present a distance education tool in vocational education where the Telestia products were transferred into Turkish and Romanian. The products are are a) Pattern Construction, b) Fashion Design, c) Pattern Grading, d) Fashion Express pattern making, e) Sewing, f) e-Telestia (on line training school, specialising in clothing and fashion courses). They are all based on the same principles and use them to cover the needs of the specific subject every time. Among these products, two training modules, TELESTIA AB: Fashion Express and Pattern Making, were transferred into Turkish and Romanian under a Transfer of Innovation project.

Key Words: Textile training, Distance education, Fashion design, Pattern construction.