

## Welcome

### Harnessing the Learning Assets in SMEs

The SYNERGY project partners have had a busy start to 2016! At the end of last year, partners worked to produce some of the key outputs of the project!

### Meeting Business Start-ups in Greece

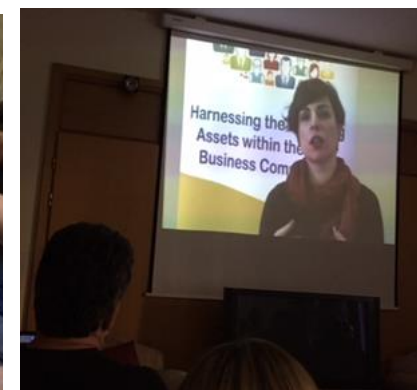
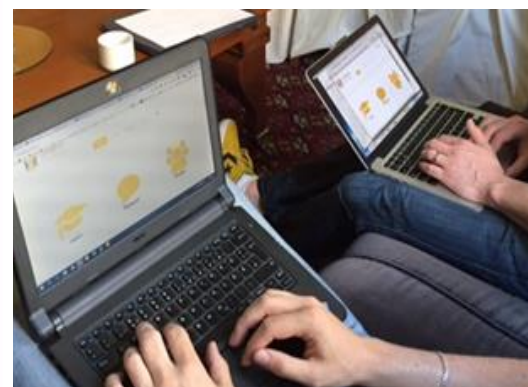
This month, the University of Peloponnese hosted the third multiplier event of the Synergy project – focusing on business start-ups and the challenges faced in growing, sustaining and internationalizing their business, SYNERGY was presented as a possible solution with the following benefits to micro-business owners:

- Exchange experiences and knowledge with other businesses across Europe
- Byte-sized, practical business online resources from home and abroad
- Network with other businesses: share problems and solutions
- Free access to create, build and manage your own online business network
- Be part of an online business community that makes sense for you and your business

A short report of the Event and copies of the presentations are available on [www.projectsynergy.eu](http://www.projectsynergy.eu)

### Meeting with Businesses in Thessaloniki

Getting online and finding out about SYNERGY: All business resources are accessible and free to use! All you need to do is go to [www.synergyexchange.eu](http://www.synergyexchange.eu) and set up an account today!



## Training our Trainers

**International Learning Event – Ireland, 02/2016**

Meath Partnership recently hosted 21 VET Trainers from Italy, Germany, Greece, Cyprus and Romania for an intensive 5-day accredited train the trainer programme. The training programme was designed to up-skill VET trainers in the design of mini-learning resources for online environments and on topics which are of relevance to their local business communities.

Trainers from the fields of adult education, e-learning and media production were on hand to help the trainers' research, write and produce their own Mini-learning Resources with the results available on the SYNERGY Exchange platform. The Curriculum and accompanying handbooks are available as open resources for download and use by trainers from across the EU.



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