



Training course for youth workers
‘Social mentoring as innovative training pathway to lifestyle self-employment’

Module II.

Facilitating the social mentoring process on LSE by using the set of open educational resources (OERs) on Life-Style Entrepreneurship

Exercise 4.

Challenges and advancements in entrepreneurship development

The aim of the exercise:

To discuss constraints preventing from becoming an entrepreneur.

The tasks of the exercise:

Step 1. The participants are separated in small groups (3-5 people). Each group is encouraged to discuss the different constraints preventing from becoming an entrepreneur. The participants can use every resource they want: their phones, internet, etc. It is expected that participants will try to propose possible preventive measures

Constraints preventing from becoming an entrepreneur?	Preventive measures
Fear of bankruptcy and irregular income	
Considerable differences between countries	
High level of bureaucracy	
Difficulty in obtaining information on how to start a business	
Lack of ICT skills	
Access to finance	
Taxation	
Access to public procurement	
Unfair/too strong competition	
Labour law	
Access to the single market	
Access to the EU programmes	
Late payments,	
Access to information and advice	
Instability of the world economy	
Too high utility costs (rent, energy costs, other supplies needed)	
Please add your personal constraints	

Step 2. The whole big group is encouraged to sit together and discuss findings from small groups. Each group has to present what they know regarding the different constraints preventing from becoming an



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entrepreneur. Then the participants should find the most common preventive measures that are found by all groups.

The learning outcomes:

- Learners will be able to recognize and describe constraints preventing from becoming an entrepreneur.
- Learners will be able to identify and apply appropriate preventive measures.

The total duration:

120 minutes