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THE MeetYourForest Project inaugurates its environmental initiative in Salceda de Caselas

On Friday May 27th and Saturday May 28th, the “MeetYourForest” project inaugurated its first meeting in Salceda de Caselas, Galicia, with the active participation of all the entities involved in the project.

MeetYourForest is led by the City Council of Salceda de Caselas (Pontevedra). As its kick-off meeting, the Universidade de Vigo, which participates in the project as a project partner, was honoured with the presence of several members of its School of Industrial Engineering involved in the project: María Ángeles Cancela Carral, subdirector of the School of Industrial Engineering and Juan Picos Martín, professor of engineering. Other project partners: the Association for the Protection of the Environment (ASPEA) and the Technological Services Consultancy ATIN, as well as two Nordic universities, the HAMK Häme University of Applied Sciences in Finland and the University College of Green Development in Norway.

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Within the framework of the Erasmus+ programme, action Adult Education Cooperation Partnerships (KA220-ADU), the project “New uses and innovative management of forest (MeetYourForest)” aims to demonstrate the importance of using, managing and taking care of the forests from Spain, Portugal, Norway and Finland. In addition, throughout the meeting the partners agreed to include agriculture as a new key elementof the plan.

During this first in-person meeting, all partners organized various tasks such as seminars, training activities, and the creation of a Handbook on forest management and best practices, and an Open Educational Resource, a web page, in order to disseminate all the knowledge acquired through continuous learning and research. The dissemination plan aims to raise society´s awareness of forests as an economic, tourism and primary service resource as well as their innovative potential and benefits.

Given the introductory nature of this convention, the agreements established and the project deadlines, the partnership decided to meet again in Portugal and Norway to reach a conclusion in early 2023.

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