

“Pitch a Project” Session

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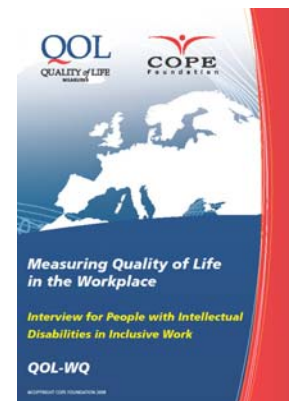
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PROJECT TYPE & IDEA

Development of Innovation

- Development of a Training Program to facilitate '**Peer Interviewing Techniques**' for people with learning disabilities (in the context of measuring quality of life in the workplace).
- **Train interviewers who have disabilities** to ask other people with disabilities about their quality of life in the workplace, using the "Quality of Life Measures" Instrument (QOL-WQ: Interview for People with Intellectual Disabilities in Inclusive work).



PURPOSE

- Further develop and improve, both the context and process of **conducting quality of life surveys** in the workplace for people with learning disabilities.
- Research studies show that **working with peer interviewers** yields more reliable and valid responses, and a lower percentage of answers by proxies (e.g. Bonham et al, 2004; Bonham, 2008).



OBJECTIVES:

Peer Interviewer Training Program (Manual)

- Recruitment Protocol
- Interview Protocol
- Interviewer Training Curriculum
- Interviewer Training Modules
- Interview Tools
- Interviewer Evaluation Process

Needs to be addressed:

- Training Accreditation & Standards



I AM LOOKING FOR

- Potential Partners?
- Academic/ Research expertise/experience
- Expertise in developing Training programmes
- Expertise in Recruitment and Interviewing Techniques
- Providers of Inclusive Work programs for people with learning disabilities
- EU representation: Old/New member states/Candidate Countries

