

# The VETCOP Project

WHAT?



WHEN?



WHO?



## THE PROJECT



### What are we building?

VETCOP is short for Virtual European Trade and Commerce Platform. And that is what we are building. A hands-on platform where all the trainees in the EUROPEN network can trade with each other. The platform will consist of four major modules:



### Marketplace

The B2B Marketplace will be the cornerstone of the new platform. This is where the actual trading between the Practice Enterprises will take place. With a dynamic and searchable user interface, the trainees will have an exciting and realistic trading experience.

### Advertising

The Advertising module will allow buyers and sellers to connect within the virtual economy. In essence, we will create an advertising company through which the Practice Enterprises can buy ads to be shown in the Marketplace UI. Advertising will increase PE interactivity.



### Bank

Behind any exchange of goods and services there is a flow of money transfers. The online payment system will be developed to manage transactions between sellers and buyers. Offering a broad variety of payment methods, account management etc., the new bank will meet the requirements of all PE's in the network.

### Credit Card Institute

The existing EUROPEN CCI will be redesigned and redeveloped to meet future needs. With a credit card in hand, trainees can complete Marketplace and webshop transactions easily and efficiently. Eventually, this module will be an integrated part of the Bank module.



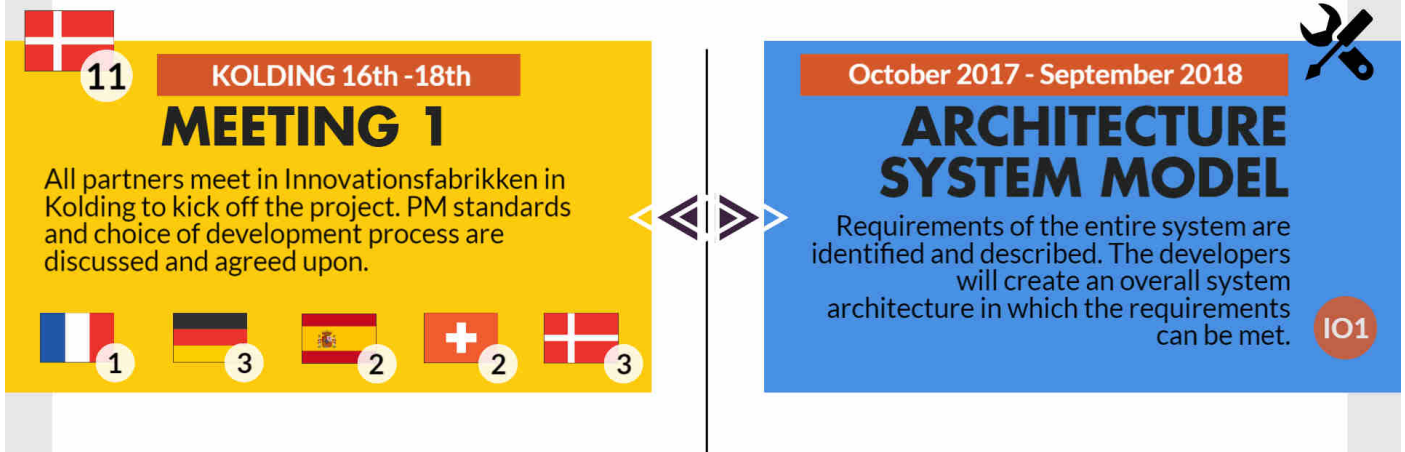
# THE TIMELINE



## When are we building it?

The VETCOP project is a 2-year project running from October 2017. Below you can follow the timeline and have a first look at Meetings, Events and Intellectual Outputs (IO).

## OCTOBER 2017



## NOVEMBER 2017



## DECEMBER 2017

December 2017 - September 2018

### PLATFORM PROTOTYPE

Focus on database structure and user interfaces. Graphics design, user experience, and essential functionality. A prototype is developed to test and validate functions and UI.

IO3



## JANUARY 2018

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ESSEN

### MEETING 2

The overall goal of this meeting is to ensure that the baseline architecture is established for the upcoming development months. Furthermore, we will discuss progress on IO2 and IO3.



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## MARCH 2018

March 2018 - August 2019

### FEEDBACK AND TESTING

The system platform is deployed in a test environment for user feedback and suggestions for improvements. Also, the different core components are integration tested.

IO6



## APRIL 2018

  
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ESSEN

### MEETING 3

Analysts will discuss test management (IO6) and the status of requirements and backlogs. Developers focus on IO4 and IO5 and the breakdown of PBI's into smaller tasks.



April 2018 - June 2018

### PLATFORM FUNCTIONALITIES

Development of data entry functionalities in the main platform modules (Marketplace, Advertising, Bank and CCI) as well as in the rating and review system.

IO4

  
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PLOVDIV

### EVENT 1

Presentation of project and platform prototype to international members of EUROPEAN.

Workshop and seminar including practical demonstrations of the prototype. What will the members need to integrate to the platform?



## MAY 2018

May 2018 - September 2019

### WEB SERVICES

Development of the required web services to exchange data in an appropriate format like XML or JSON allowing students to be directly connected to their peers.

IO5



## SEPTEMBER 2018



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### EVENT 2

All teachers, trainers and supervisors from the Danish PE's are invited to this one-day event.

The VETCOP project and the prototype is presented, followed by hands-on training and knowledge sharing throughout the day.



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PARIS

### EVENT 3

All teachers, trainers and supervisors from the French PE's are invited to this one-day event.

The VETCOP project and the prototype is presented. Furthermore, the event will focus on the pedagogical aspects of the new platform and its different modules.



*Luck is not a factor. Hope is not a strategy.  
Fear is not an option.*

*James Cameron*

## DECEMBER 2018



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### MEETING 4

Status of current development and discussion of resources needed for the upcoming development. Focus on the creation of print manuals (IO7).



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December 2018 - July 2019

### ONLINE AND PRINT MANUALS

An online "Get started" guide is created. It will describe all the main workflows. Also, a print manual documenting the entire functionality of the platform.



IO7

## MAY 2019



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SITGES

### MEETING 5

Analysts will discuss test management (IO6) and the status of requirements and backlogs. Developers focus on IO4 and IO5 and the breakdown of PBI's into smaller tasks.



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BARCELONA

### EVENT 4

This event introduces and explains the implemented functionalities of the new platform to the Spanish PE network.

Moreover, focus will be on feedback from testing and the structure/quality of the manuals.



*Those are my principles, and if you don't like them....well, I have others.*

Groucho Marx

## SEPTEMBER 2019



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KOLDING

### MEETING 6

Evaluation of the project, the process and the platform. Did we reach our objectives? How did we benefit from working together? Creation of a plan to continue our collaboration.



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# SEPTEMBER 2019



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PARIS



## EVENT 5

Presentation of the new platform. All trainers in France are invited to this event, where all the main functionalities of the platform modules are demonstrated.

The manual is presented as well. Moreover, the event will focus on networking and feedback.



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## EVENT 6

This event has a strong focus on platform usage. How to get started with international trade through the platform user interfaces?

Which skills can be acquired by using the platform? The didactical design options? And much more.

*Don't undertake a project unless it is manifestly important and nearly impossible*

*Edwin Land*



# THE PARTNERS



## Who is building it?

The VETCOP project is a transnational collaboration of four partners. EUROPEN-PEN International, REEP Euro Ent'Ent, SIMU Center and Fundacio Inform. Furthermore, Helvartis participates as an associated partner in the project. Business people, .NET-developers, administrative staff and testers from these partner organizations will lead the development of the new platform.

### EUROPEN-PEN International

Participants:  
Scott Mitchell (business)  
Rajib Banik (.NET)  
Laima Bartkenaite (administration)



### REEP Euro Ent'Ent

Participants:  
Pierre Troton (business)  
Jean-Marc Hetsch (business, .NET)



### SIMU Center

Participants:  
Gitte Jensen (business)  
René Johnsen (project management)  
Bjarke Meier (.NET)



### Fundacio Inform

Participants: Maria Benages (test management)  
Joan Ramon Piqué (test)  
Raimon Palau (administration)



### Helvartis

Participants: Laurent Comte (business)  
Daniel Jann (.NET)



# Erasmus+