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LANGUAGE/S	Finnish
PROMOTER	Sastamala Community College (Sastamalan Opisto) and the city of Sastamala (Sastamalan kaupunki). On a larger scale the project is initiated by the Finnish government
AUTHOR/S (if different)	Sastamala Community College
DESCRIPTION & AIMS	Both Työmarkkinaklinikka and Työkykyverstas are part of a national experiment to strengthen the role of the local governments as organiser of employment services, as stated in Prime Minister Marin's Government Programme.
	The first measure is to launch local government pilots on employment, in which municipalities are partly responsible for the provision of employment and economic services (TE services) in their area. The pilot projects aim to increase the effectiveness of promoting employment by coordinating the resources, skills and services of the State and municipalities.
	A total of 25 areas and 118 municipalities will participate in the pilot projects. Sastamala Community College is the service provider in the area of Sastamala. So far, there has been 3 kinds of pilots in Sastamala: Työmarkkinaklinikka (Labour market clinic), Työkykyverstas (Professional skills workshop) and Yrittäjyysklinikka (Entrepreneurship Clinic).
	Työmarkkinaklinikka (Labour market clinic)
	The aim of the training is to learn the basic use of digital devices and services, to identify and develop one's own communication methods, and to increase courage and self-confidence in various everyday and working life communication situations. The aim is also to identify one's own competence and strengthen one's own conditions for study and employment.
	Työkykyverstas (Professional skills workshop) Aim is to:

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	<ul> <li>Increase knowledge and skills on how oneself can influence one's own well-being and ability to work</li> <li>Increase a sense of empowerment, self-knowledge and confidence</li> <li>Identify their own skills, strengths and areas for development</li> <li>Reflect on your own values and learn to make choices in your life based on it.</li> <li>Learn emotional skills and tolerating negative things in life</li> <li>Strengthening the conditions for study and employment and the progress of one's own future employment plan.</li> </ul>
	Yrittäjyysklinikka (Entrepreneurship Clinic)
	The Entrepreneurship Clinic provides basic information about entrepreneurship and provides tips for starting your own business. The clinic was aimed at people who got unemployed during the pandemic time, and were looking for a new direction in life.
SKILLS INVOLVED	Digital competence, learning to learn skills, communication skills, citizenship competence, self-confidence, self-knowledge, emotional skills, entrepreneurial skills
EVALUATION AND MONITORING	National surveys on customer satisfaction are conducted during the ongoing local government pilots on employment. There is also a national research going on evaluating the process.  The local organizers (Sastamala) are also carrying out pilot-
	specific surveys to measure the success of the pilots. Feedback has been collected both from teachers and students/customers. There will be a final seminary evaluating the process, as well as meetings with the local employment services.
DURATION OF THE PROJECT	The local government pilots on employment began on 1 March 2021 and will end on 30 June 2023.
TARGET OF POPULATION	Unemployed jobseekers and jobseekers covered by employment services who are not entitled to earnings-related unemployment allowance will transfer to the pilot projects in the areas. The target group also includes all jobseekers under the age of 30 and all immigrants and foreign-language speakers who are either unemployed or covered by employment services in the TE Offices in the pilot areas.
INDIVIDUAL / GROUP ACTIVITY	Group activity, but also includes individual discussions.
PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS	Unemployed jobseekers and jobseekers covered by employment services who are not entitled to earnings-related unemployment allowance will transfer to the pilot projects in the areas. The

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DURATION OF THE COURSE	The single workshop duration has been approximately a few weeks/workshop. The pilots in Sastamala area have been conducted during the spring and autumn of 2021.
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WHY IS IT A GOOD PRACTICE?	According to the feedback from the participants the vast majority of them felt empowerment and strengthening of their self-confidence. They felt that they have been encountered as valuable human beings, not just as "invaluable outcast that has to be dealt with". Most of the participants also felt that the concrete content of the courses benefited them.  The process has also been strengthening the local and regional co-operation between the educational institutions (SCC and SASKY Municipal Education and Training Consortium) and the employment services of the area.
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