ReWell – Promoting regional wellbeing through adult and vocational education

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ReWell-project aims at increasing the capacity of academic staffs to develop vocational and adult education programmes and practices, which promote sustainable use of countries’ natural and human resources, improve people’s employability and wellbeing and combat exclusion in Pirkanmaa, Morogoro and Kampala regions, in the context of global industry and trans-national policies.

The project contains joint studies, teaching and supervision, based on collaborative research on regional adult and vocational education (VET). The shared themes in research, teaching and studies are:

1. Adult education and VET policy in regional and global perspective
2. Industrial, economical, environmental and welfare policy in regional and global perspective
3. Ethical and environmental aspects in adult and vocational education.
4. Role and responsibility of adult education and VET research and studies in regional and global perspective.

The core group of ReWell-project consists of teachers (2 from Tampere, 3 from Mzumbe, 3 from Kyambogo), MA students (4 from Tampere, 1 from Mzumbe, 2 from Kyambogo) and 1 PhD student (Mzumbe), and representatives from regional adult and vocational education institutes (Tampere region adult education centre (TOP), Tampere Vocational teacher education polytechnic (TAOKK), The Tanzania Institute of Adult Education, Morogoro Vocational Teachers Training College, Nagenda International Academy of Art and Design (NIAAD), Michelangelo school of Creative Arts (MSCA)).

The ReWell group will work as a team, supervised by senior researchers from Tampere (Anja Heikkinen), Mzumbe (Perpetua Kalimasi Kilasi) and Kyambogo (Kimani Muturi). The main activities of ReWell include

1. Collaborative field studies, leading to dissertations and joint publications
2. Mutual student exchange (3,5-4 months/ student)
3. Mutual teacher exchange (abt 1 month/ teacher)
5. Collaboration in digital study and work environment

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