

SAMNIC MOOC

SAMNIC is a transnational project, funded under the EU Erasmus+ Programme, to develop and implement a MOOC – a Massive Open Online Course – on the Safety Assessment and Management for New and Innovative Children's Products. The MOOC is targeted principally at industry (especially SMEs) and consumer organisations.

SAMNIC MOOC is an online free Internet course to which almost everyone can register; it has practically an unlimited number of participants.

The SAMNIC MOOC is expected to be ready in August 2016 and will be available in English, Spanish, French, Italian, Czech and Portuguese. It will be accessible through PCs, tablets and smartphones.

>> Project SAMNIC as an example of good practice

AIJU participated in the Europass conference organised by the Spanish Service for the Internationalisation of Education

On 17th February, AIJU presented the European project SAMNIC as an example of good practice during the Europass conference. The conference was organised by the Spanish Service for the Internationalisation of Education (SEPIE) in Toledo.

During its presentation, AIJU shared with the education community its experience as coordinator of the project and how that experience has helped enrich both the people and the organisations involved in SAMNIC.

The Spanish Service for the Internationalisation of Education (SEPIE) is the autonomous body, belonging to the Spanish Ministry of Education, Culture and

Sports, that takes the role of national agency for the management, dissemination, promotion and impact of the Erasmus+ programme in the field of education and training (2014-2020), in addition to other European initiatives and education programmes.

AIJU's presentation could be followed on streaming through SEPIE's website, and it is available for all users on:

<http://www.sepie.es/comunicacion/jornadas/jornadaEuropass.html>

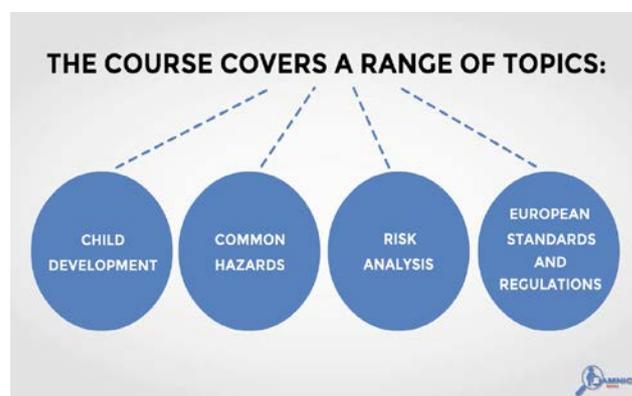
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>> SAMNIC video presentation launched

The video presentation of the course is already available. It provides the objectives of the course, the topics taught, and the teaching staff collaborating with SAMNIC.

Visit SAMNIC's website, www.samnicmooc.com, click on the video and meet the teachers.



>> The SAMNIC team create two characters to illustrate a child's evolutionary development

AIJU, with the collaboration of its partners in the project, have created two characters (Sam and Nic) that will be part of the SAMNIC training materials. Thanks to Sam and Nic, the student will be able to learn the main milestones in a child's life, as well as the hazards to which children can be exposed during their interaction with products.

During the course, we will see Sam and Nic use different kinds of products as they grow, such as child care articles, toys intended for children under three, for children older than three, for children older than eight, playground equipment, etc.



>> Last phase of development of SAMNIC training materials

The SAMNIC team record the videos that will be part of the first MOOC on children's products safety

During last November and December, the SAMNIC team recorded the lessons that will be part of the video MOOC and which will be available on the platform of the course and through YouTube for free. These lessons are taught in videos, of approximately 5 minutes' length, which give a global vision of children's products safety. *Want to watch these videos? Pre-register on www.samnicmooc.com and be part of the first group of users from different countries that will take this course.*



>> Fourth meeting of project SAMNIC



On 3rd December, a follow-up meeting of project SAMNIC was held at the University of Alicante. This meeting focused on finalising the videos that will be part of the MOOC and organised the work schedule for the content developers of the project - the University of Padua, ANEC and AIJU - to populate the MOOC platform. Currently, the platform for this course is being developed by the project partners but pre-registration is available to users who would like to participate in the pilot phase of the SAMNIC MOOC before it is formally launched.

The consortium of the SAMNIC project, coordinated by AIJU, is formed by the Czech Association for Toy and Play, SHH (the Czech Republic); the University of Alicante, UA (Spain); the European Association for Coordination of Consumer Representation in Standardisation, ANEC (Belgium), and the Università Degli Studi Di Padova, UniPd, (Italy).