# Strengthening the role of workplaces in the preparation and implementation of international mobilities and national apprenticeships

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#### PRESENTATION PLAN

- About ZSLiT nr 1
- Cooperation with CISCO
- Cooperation with other companies
- Evaluation and assessment of domestic apprenticeships
- Specialisations
- Difficulties and challenges



## **About ZSLiT nr 1**

- 800 students + 90 teachers
- IT technician + mechatronics technician
- 9th best technical upper-secondary school in Poland
- Regular international mobilities since 2008 to four UE countries
- Local CISCO Academy since 2008





# **Education system reform 2017**

Before:

Domestic apprenticeship - 160 hours (both professions)

After:

Domestic apprenticeship – 320 h (IT) / 160 h (mechatronics)



# Two ways of organizing (IT)

2nd grade	3rd grade
160 hours	160 hours
Obligatory	Obligatory
Local Cisco Academy - school	Various companies
Part of lesson plan	4 weeks outside school
The same learning outcomes	Individual learning outcomes



## **Learning Outcomes - CISCO**

- Since 2008 Local CISCO Academy status Memorandum of Understanding
- Requirements for the 1st and 2nd module for CISCO CCNA
   Routing &Switching certificate ,translated' into the language of learning outcomes by school teacher (CISCO certified instructor)
- Apprencticeship curriculum accepted by CISCO Poland
- Most learning outcomes compatible with National Curriculum for IT, but some extracurricular added, e.g. LAN installation



## **Learning Outcomes - CISCO**

- Students informed about curriculum at 1st lesson.
- Learning Outcomes divided into 10 Units
- Observation at work + Assessment after each Unit + Final test =
   GRADE
- To pass: assessments 75% + Final 60%
- Percentage converted into school grade
- Grade included in school report after 3rd grade (like any other subject)
- Students receive a certificate confirming the aquisition of LO stamped by CISCO. LO are listed.



## **Learning Outcomes – OTHER COMPANIES**

- Contract for Apprenticeship signed between school and each company separately
- Universal model curriculum based on National Curriculum sent to company and modified according to company's profile and tasks perfored
- Curriculum described in the language of learning outcomes
- Student involved in the proces of negotiations



## **Learning Outcomes – OTHER COMPANIES**

- Observation at workplace + soft skills = GRADE (no written test)
- Criteria for grades are more subjective
- Grade included in school report after 3rd grade (like any other subject)
- Students receive a certificate of completing the apprenticeship
  - only with the grade



#### **OTHER EXAMPLES**

Possiblity of preparing Individual Achievement List certificate for students who want it – PLAY company



#### **OTHER EXAMPLES**

- specializations since 09/2019
- Obligatory extracurricular classes for 4th grade students designed to meet the demands of labour market
- 120 hours
- Several companies cooperate to create one specialisations -Memorandum of Understanding
- Mentors from the company involved extensively in designing learning outcomes
- At school + at work
- Grading system to be constructed
- Plans to certify each specialization



#### **CHALLENGES**

- Mobilizing the teachers to desing learning outcomes conscientiously and within deadlines
- Creating objective assessment criteria for the employers
- Some companies do not respect the agreement with school, e.g. mentor is often unavailable for students, grades are given intuitively
- Encouraging some companies to cooperate
- Legal impreciseness regarding some details



#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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