



## INVESTMENT INTO THE DEVELOPMENT OF EDUCATION

### **Jan Tiray's Vocational School in Velká Bíteš implements an educational project**

This October, a project application submitted by Jan Tiray's Vocational School in Velká Bíteš to the Operational Programme "Education for Competitiveness" was approved. The project "**Enhancing Competences of Pedagogical Workers at Jan Tiray's Vocational School**" will be financed from the European Social Fund.

The project started on November 1, 2009 and will end on March 31, 2012. The goal of the submitted project is to enhance competences of pedagogical workers at Jan Tiray's Vocational School in Velká Bíteš and the project partner, PBS Velká Bíteš On-the-Job Training Centre, which is a contractual partner of the school and the approved project. Both institutions have cooperated for almost 15 years in providing on-the-job training for students of the Metal Tooler programme and, since the new school year of 2009/2010, also on-the-job training for the Mechanic – Adjuster training programme.

The project is oriented at the education of pedagogical workers. Ever changing employers' demands on students' better preparedness and the necessity for pedagogical workers to continuously increase their qualifications were the main reasons for preparing this project.

The main goal is therefore to support competences of pedagogical workers at Jan Tiray's Vocational School in Velká Bíteš and pedagogical workers of the project partner, PBS Velká Bíteš On-the-Job Training Centre, to increase graduates' employment chances in the labour market in the Vysočina Region, to support management skills of supervisory workers in order to ensure education quality and effectiveness. The project focuses on six topics, within which seminars will be organised on: pedagogy and psychology oriented at new approaches to students' education, new information technologies, which will be used in classes, e.g. interactive boards, management, foreign language skills, which are now an integral part of each teacher's self-education, and CNC programming.

Almost 2 million CZK were allocated to this project. New skills that teachers acquire will be used in classes, significantly improving the quality of education at Jan Tiray's Vocational School in Velká Bíteš.