

Construction Safety with Education and Training using Immersive Reality

Projecto Erasmus sobre Segurança na Construção com Recurso a BIM e a Ferramentas Digitais de Simulação

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Fatal accidents at work, 2015

EU-OSHA (2015):

- 21% of workers with a fatal work accident were from the construction industry
- In Portugal, 60 fatal injuries per year
- New workers' first months on the job have more than three times the risk for injury than workers who have been at their job for more than a year: it is importante to become familiar with site conditions.





Source:

Sidani, Adeeb, Fábio Matoseiro Dinis, Luís Sanhudo, J. Duarte, J. Santos Baptista, João Poças Martins, and Alfredo Soeiro. "Recent Tools and Techniques of BIM-Based Virtual Reality: A Systematic Review." *Archives of Computational Methods in Engineering* (2019): 1-14.

Although it is not currently the most common use-case, several existing VR applications already address the issue of Construction Safety and target Workers as a user group.

Project Demonstration



- Project financed by Erasmus+
- Construction Safety Education and Training using Immersive Reality
- > 4 universities and one construction company
- > 3 years
- Half million Euros
- ISHCCO, AECEF, ENETOSH and others invited to validate and tune up

Characteristics

- Construction tasks addressed at any time
- Risks associated from planning and statistics
- Visualization of environment
- Static, dynamic or interactive participation
- Learning/training
- Generic in terms of users



Examples (1)

1. OSHA PIXO safety compliance Virtual Reality

2. <u>Fulmax</u>

3. <u>VR Safety Training for Construction companies</u> (LandMarkVR)

4. <u>DOKA</u>



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5. CERTIFYME.NET

6. SRI International Augmented Reality Solutions for Construction Inspection

7. CAT VR Training

8. 3M Releases Construction Safety Virtual Reality Programs for Hands-on Learning



Benefits?



- Simulation as training and education facilitator
- Possible use in certification
- Adjusted to each situation
- Standardising of training possible
- Adjustable to existing budget
- Use on site or on training facility
- Possibilities are immense



VR apps (currently under development) can simulate site conditions

Two questions!



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A) Relevant risks for training?

- Fall from height, equipment operation, excavation, confined spaces, scaffolding, dangerous products, electrical dangers, Covid19, ...
- Which criteria is relevant for risk selection?

B) Training for whom?

- Coordinators, engineers, workers, foreman, supervisors, subcontractors, ...
- How should the selection of target usergroups affect design of training solutions?



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Thank you for your attention.

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