



DG EACEA

“Capacity Building in the field of Vocational Education and Training (VET)”

Info Note



Total Budget:
27 116 244 €
*Budgetary envelope for different regions: [link](#)



Duration:
12, 24, or 36 months



Deadline
28 February 2023
17:00 CET



Grant per Project:
100.000€ - 400.000€

Objectives:

- Build capacity of VET providers to strengthen cooperation between private and public stakeholders in the field of vocational education and training for demand-oriented and opportunity-driven VET interventions;
- Improve the quality and responsiveness of VET to economic and social developments to enhance the labour market relevance of skills provision;
- Align VET provision to local, regional and national development strategies.

Thematic Areas:

- Work-based learning (for young people and/or adults);
- Quality assurance mechanisms;
- VET teachers/trainers' professional development;
- Key competences, including entrepreneurship;
- Public Private Partnerships in VET;
- Innovation in VET;
- Green and digital skills for the twin transition;
- Skills matching with current and future job opportunities.

Geographical Targets

- **Americas and the Caribbean:** Priority will be given to regional projects (projects involving more than one eligible third countries not associated to the programme (TCnAP) or projects in lower- and middle-income countries. Priority will be given to projects that contribute to the respective geographic Multi-annual [Indicative Programmes](#) at country or regional level.
- **Sub-Saharan Africa:** Priority will be given to least developed countries; a special emphasis shall also be put on migration priority countries; no country will access more than 8% of funding foreseen for the Region. Priority will be given to projects that contribute to the respective geographic Multi-annual [Indicative Programmes](#) at country or regional level.
- **Western Balkans:** Mobility of learners will be privileged.
- **Western Balkans, Neighbourhood East, South-Mediterranean countries:** Priority will be given to projects that contribute to its Economic and Investment Plan and/or the European Training Foundation recommendations under the Torino process



Activities:

Activities aiming at:

- Developing networks and **exchange of good practices between VET providers in TCnAPs and in EU Member State or TCAPs**
- Creating **mechanisms to involve the private sector** both in design and delivery of curricula;
- Creating tools, programmes and other materials to **build capacity of institutions from TCnAP;**
- **Developing and transferring pedagogical approaches, teaching, training materials and methods, including work-based learning, virtual mobility, open educational resources and better exploitation of ICT;**
- Developing and implementing international **(virtual) exchange activities for staff primarily.**

Horizontal Priorities:

- **Environmental sustainability** – development of competences in various sustainability-relevant sectors, green sectorial skills strategies and methodologies, as well as future-oriented curricula
- **Inclusion and diversity** – development of mechanisms to ensure better participation of people with fewer opportunities
- **Digital dimension** – promoting digital transformation plans of primary, secondary, VET
- **Common values, civic engagement and participation** – strengthening active citizenship and governance
- **Regional and cross-cutting priorities** to be also considered (in FTOP)
- If **ETF countries** are involved in the project, proposals should respond to **recommendations of TRP**

Eligibility

Eligible applicants:

- Any public and private organisation active in the VET field and legally established in an EU Member State or eligible third country associated to the Programme (TCAP). Organisations from TCnAP **cannot** be coordinators.

Eligible types of organisations

- VET providers; - Companies, industry or sector representative organisations; - National/regional qualification authorities; - Employment services; - Research institutes; - Innovation agencies; - Regional development authorities etc. (non-exhaustive list)
- Associated partners from the public or private sector can also participate, contributing to the implementation of specific project tasks/activities or support the dissemination and sustainability, but they do not receive funding

Number and Profile of Participating organisations

- The partnership shall include **at least four organisations** from a **minimum of three countries**:
 - (1) - at least **one** organisation from two different EU member States and TCAPs, and at least **two** organisations from at least one eligible TCnAP, **or**
 - (2) - at least 1 organisation from 2 different TCAP, and at least 2 organisations from at least 1 eligible TCnAP, **or**
 - (3) - at least 1 organisation from an EU Member State and 1 organisation from TCAP, and at least 2 organisations from at least 1 eligible
- Note: The number of organisations from EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme may not be higher than the number of organisations from third countries not associated to the Programme.
- The consortium must include at least one VET provider at non-tertiary education level.

Eligible Programme Countries:

- EU member-states
- 6 Third Countries Associated to the Programme: Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, the Republic of North Macedonia, Republic of Turkey and Republic of Serbia
- TCnAP Regions: (1) Western Balkans, (2) Neighborhood East, (3) South-Mediterranean, (9) Sub-Saharan Africa, (10) Latin America and (11) Carribean. – Exception: organisations from Belarus (Region 2) are not eligible

In partnership with



Expected Results

- Tighter links between the third countries not associated to the Programme **VET system** and its **labour market** and between VET profiles and local/regional/national strategies and priorities;
- Improved capacities of VET providers especially in the fields of management, governance, inclusion, quality assurance, innovation, and internationalization;
- Increased exposure of staff, managers, policy makers and senior teachers to approaches bringing the labour market and VET closer;
- Improved knowledge, technical, managerial, and pedagogical skills of VET teachers and trainers and level of competence of VET learners and trainers;
- Better input of teachers/trainers, VET learners and employers into curriculum, profile design and training reform;
- Improved level of competences, skills and employability potential of VET learners;
- Increased cooperation across different regions of the world through joint initiatives;
- Development of digital skills, environmental sustainability and social, intercultural competences in the VET field of the participating organisations;
- Improved digital skills and competences of the target public through appropriate activities and initiatives;
- Increased social and intercultural competences in the VET field.

*Budgetary envelope for different regions

Western Balkans (region 1)	8.028.496 €
Neighbourhood East (region 2), except Belarus	3.779.059 €
South-Mediterranean countries (region 3)	4.198.955 €
Sub-Saharan Africa (region 9) - 8.695.335 €	8.695.335 €
Latin America (region 10)	2.099.477 €
Caribbean (region 11)	314.922 €
Total indicative budget	27.116.244 €

Important links:

- Capacity Building in VET Call available [here](#)