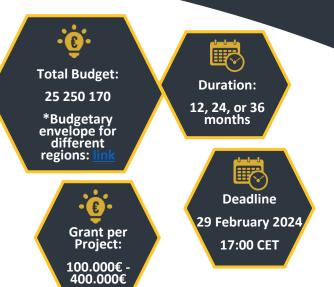


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"Capacity Building in the field of Vocational Education and Training (VET)"

Info Note



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 socio-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.

Regional Priorities

- **Western Balkans:** Priority will be given to projects that contribute to its <u>Economic and Investment Plan</u> and/or the European Training Foundation recommendations under the Torino process. Mobility of learners and staff will be privileged.
- **Neighbourhood East:** Priority will be given to projects that contribute to its <u>Economic and Investment Plan</u> and/or the European Training Foundation recommendations under the Torino process
- South-Mediterranean countries: Priority will be given to projects that contribute to its <u>Economic and Investment Plan</u> and/or the European Training Foundation recommendations under the Torino process
- **Sub-Sahara 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 <u>Indicative Programmes</u> at country or regional level and to the <u>EU-Africa Global Gateway</u> <u>Investment Package</u>
- Latin America: Priority will be given to regional projects (projects involving more than one eligible third countries not associated to the programme 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.
- Caribbean: Priority will be given to regional projects (projects involving more than one eligible third country not associated to the Programme) or projects in least developed, lower and upper middle income countries; Priority will be given to projects that contribute to the respective geographic Multi-annual Indicative Programme at country or regional level.





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 workbased 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 participating organisations

• VET providers; Companies, industry or sector representative organisations; National/regional qualification authorities; Employment services; Research institutes; Innovation agencies; Regional development authorities; International organisations etc. (non-exhaustive list)

Number and Profile of Participating organisations

- The partnership shall include at least 4 organisations from a minimum of 3 eligible countries:
 - at least 1 organisation from at least 2 different EU member States or TCAPs, and
 - at least **2** organisations from at least 1 eligible TCnAP; Organisations from different eligible regions cannot participate in the same projects. Cross-regional projects are not eligible.
- <u>Note:</u> 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.
- Associated partners from the public or private sector <u>can also</u> participate, contributing to the implementation of specific project tasks/activities or support the dissemination and sustainability, but they do not receive funding and do not count for the consortium composition.

Eligible Programme Countries:

- 27 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. <u>Exception: organisations from Belarus (Region 2)</u>





Expected Impact

- Tighter links between the third countries not associated to the Programme VET system and its labour market
- Improved links between <u>VET profiles</u> and <u>local/regional/national strategies</u> and priorities;
- Improved capacities of VET providers especially in the fields of <u>management</u>, <u>governance</u>, <u>inclusion</u>, <u>quality</u> <u>assurance</u>, <u>innovation</u>, and <u>internationalization</u>;
- 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;
- Improved level of competences, skills and employability potential of <u>VET learners</u>;
- 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 competences of the participating organisations regarding environmental sustainability;
- 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)	7 066 939 €
Neighbourhood East (region 2), except Belarus	3 599 898 €
South-Mediterranean countries (region 3)	4 000 000 €
Sub-Saharan Africa (region 9)	8 283 333 €
Latin America (region 10)	2 000 000 €
Caribbean (region 11)	300 000 €
Total indicative budget	25 250 170 €

Important links:

Capacity Building in VET Call available <u>here</u>

