Capacity building in the field of Vocational education and training (CB VET)

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1. Summary of CB VET action

AIM

Capacity building projects are **international cooperation projects** based on multilateral partnerships between organisations active in the field of VET in:

- EU Member States
- Third countries associated to the Programme
- Third countries not associated to the Programme

They aim to support the

- **Relevance**
- **Accessibility**
- **Responsiveness**

of VET institutions and systems in third countries not associated to the Programme
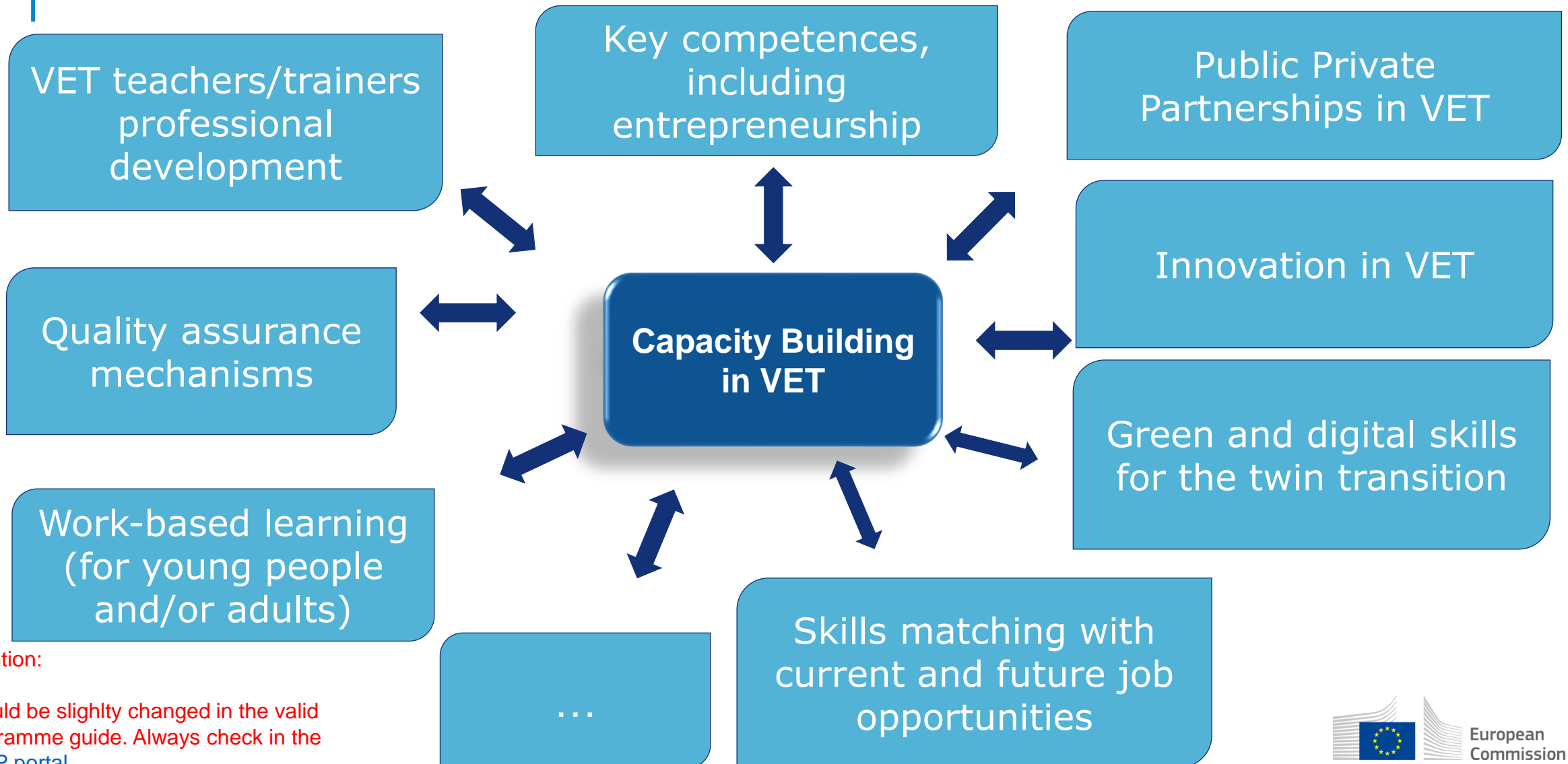
OBJECTIVES

- **Build capacity of VET providers to strengthen cooperation between private and public stakeholders** in VET 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.**

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THEMATIC AREAS – Focus on one or more

VET teachers/trainers professional development

Key competences, including entrepreneurship

Public Private Partnerships in VET

Quality assurance mechanisms

Capacity Building in VET

Innovation in VET

Work-based learning (for young people and/or adults)

...

Skills matching with current and future job opportunities

Green and digital skills for the twin transition

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ACTIVITIES

Building and strengthening the capacities of organisations active in the field of VET **principally in the third countries not associated to the Programme covered by the action**

For example:

- Creating and developing **networks and exchanges of good practice** between VET providers
- Creating tools, programmes and other materials to build the **capacity of institutions** from third countries not associated to the Programme
- **Creating mechanisms to involve private sector (**design and delivery of curricula, work-based experience)
- **Developing and transferring pedagogical approaches, teaching and training materials and methods**, including work based learning, virtual mobility, open educational resources and better exploitation of the ICT potential
- Developing and implementing international (virtual) **exchange activities for staff** primarily

Attention:

It could be slighlty changed in the valid Programme guide. Always check in the FTOP portal.

In case learner and staff mobility activities are proposed, these should contribute directly to the objectives of the project

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WHAT COUNTRIES CAN PARTICIPATE ?
WHAT INDICATIVE BUDGET EXISTS?

EU Member States (27 countries)

Third countries associated to the Programme (6 countries)
- North Macedonia, Iceland, Norway, Serbia, Lichtenstein and Türkiye

Third countries _not_ associated to the Programme (102 countries)
- regions 1,2,3,9,10 and 11

- **Region 2 - Neighbourhood East - Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Moldova, Territory of Ukraine as recognised by international law**

Indicative total budget
EUR 25 250 170 (call 2024)

*Indicative budget for **each region** will be published in FTOP portal (in the section Call updates) in the coming days after publishing the Programme guide*

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REGIONAL PRIORITIES – 2022-2023

You are encouraged to work with partners in
the **poorest and least developed third countries not associated to the Programme**
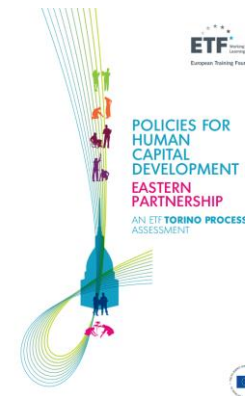
Neighbourhood East

    * Economic and Investment Plan and/or the European Training Foundation
recommendations under the Torino process.

https://www.eeas.europa.eu/sites/default/files/swd_2021_186_f1_joint_staff_working_paper_en_v2_p1_1356457_0.pdf (see Annex 1)
https://www.etf.europa.eu/en/publications-and-resources/publications/policies-human-capital-development-eastern-partnership-etf

If one or more ETF (European Training Foundation) partner countries,
the proposal should provide evidence of responding to ETF recommendations
formulated in the relevant Torino process regional reports.
(Links to the reports are in the Programme guide)

POLICIES FOR
HUMAN
CAPITAL
DEVELOPMENT
EASTERN
PARTNERSHIP
AN ETF **TORINO PROCESS**
ASSESSMENT

HIGH REPRESENTATIVE
OF THE UNION FOR
FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND
SECURITY POLICY

Brussels, 2.7.2021
SWD(2021) 186 final

JOINT STAFF WORKING DOCUMENT

Recovery, resilience and reform: post 2020 Eastern Partnership priorities

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HORIZONTAL ASPECTS

Applicants are required to take into account

Inclusion and diversity

Environmental sustainability

Digital dimension

Common values, civic engagement and participation

Selection results 2022 and 2023

	2022	**2023**
Submitted projects	121	162
Inadmissible projects	4	2
Ineligible projects	23	15
Evaluated projects	93	145
Projects reaching threshold and above (60 points and more)	58	87
Selected/signed contracts	58	Final number in November

EU GRANT PER REGION – CB VET

| Name of the region (firgures in euro) | 2022 | | 2023 | |
	Planned * (26.521.153)	Approved for selected projects (21.321.260)	Planned (27.116.244)	Proposed for selected projects (25.008.993,80)**
Western Balkans (Region 1)	7.701.141	6.265.836	8.028.496	5.467.866
Neighbourhood East (Region 2)	2.484.035	1.184.324	3.779.059	2.334.625
South-Mediterranean countries (Region 3)	4.140.058	4.137.988	4.198.955	4.342.475,80
Sub-Saharan Africa (Region 9)	8.573.369	7.317.646	8.695.335	8.638.378
Latin America (Region 10)	2.070.029	2.113.560	2.099.477	3.910.727
Caribbean (Region 11)	310.504	301.906	314.922	314.922

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*2022: Planned EU grant for Russian Federation was not used for Russian Federation
**Proposed for acceptance (the exercise will be closed by the signature of the contracts by both parties).
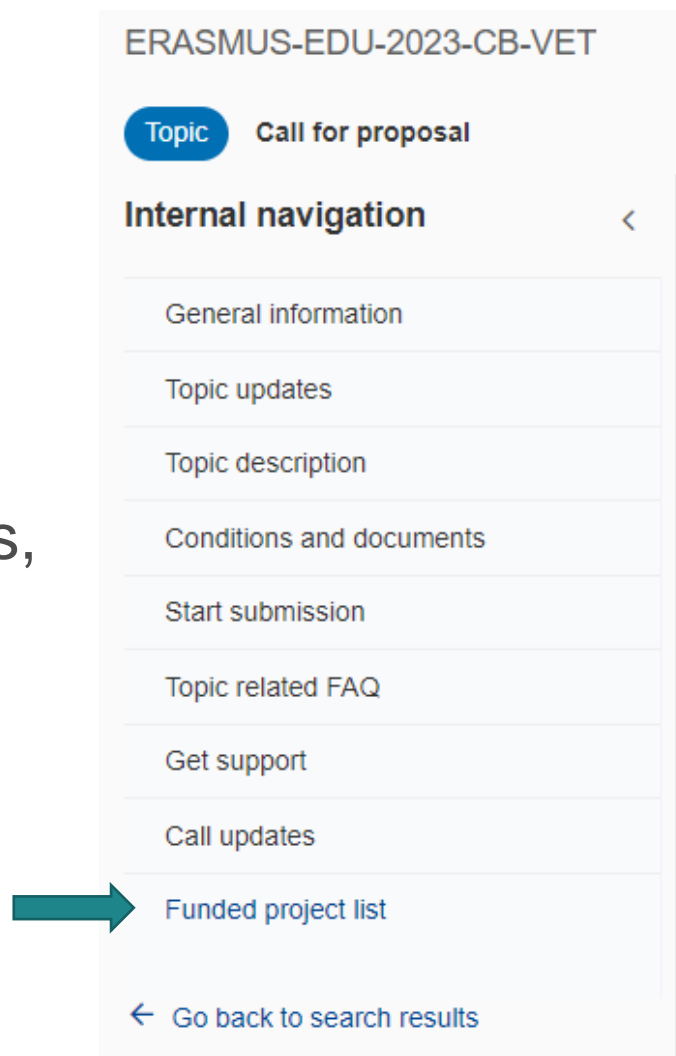
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SELECTED PROJECTS –
IN FTOP –SECTION "FUNDED PROJECT LIST"

- 2022- NOW - Check 58 selected 2022 CB VET projects in [FTOP portal](#)

- 2023- NOW – Check already 31 projects, **check again in December** 2023 check selected 2023 CB VET projects in [FTOP portal](#)

ERASMUS-EDU-2023-CB-VET

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SELECTED PROJECT – UKRAINIAN PARTNERS IN FTOP –SECTION "FUNDED PROJECT LIST"

- 2023- example - Project selected with Ukrainian partners -

- **Project number:** 101129249 - https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/how-to-participate/org-details/999999999/project/101129249/program/43353764/details

- **Title:** Horizontal VET Capacity Building for internationalisation and modernisation including innovation, digitalisation and sustainability by methodology transfer and exchange of good practices

- **Ukrainian partners:**

- NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF FOOD TECHNOLOGIES (KYIV)

- DON BOSCO YOUTH EDUCATIONAL CENTER (LVIV)

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No activity available

Keywords:

Capacity of VET providers, curriculum design and development, digitalisation skills, Networks and exchange of good practices, environmental sustainability, green skills, pedagogical skills

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2. Insert the name of an organisation here and search
https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/how-to-participate/participant-register-search

3. Contact the organisation or see in what projects it is involved

1. Name of the organisation

VALIDATED	UA	KYIV	NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF FOOD TECHNOLOGIES	NUFT	974486445		02070938	Actions ⚙
DECLARED	UA	Kyiv	National University of Food Technologies		900922033	UA020709326503	02070938	

Contact Organisation

View Partner Search Profile

1 ← 10 ⌄

2. Eligibility criteria

ADMISSIBILITY + ELIGIBILITY – EXAMPLES OF PROBLEMS

- Not correct application form

- Applicant from third countries NOT associated to Programme

- Not enough partners

- Not enough countries

- More organisations from EU+third countries associated to Programme THAN organisations from third countries NOT associated to Programme

- Attention – not an eligibility criteria, but good to know:

    - Part B – Description of the action – max. 70 pages

Who can apply/participate?

APPLICANT/ COORDINATOR	PARTICIPANT (full partner, affiliated entity or associated partner)
EU Member States (27) **+** **Third countries associated to the Programme (6)** Iceland Liechtenstein Norway North Macedonia Serbia Türkiye	**EU Member States (27)** **+** **Third countries associated to the Programme (6)** **+** **Third countries not associated to the Programme** in Regions 1, 2, 3, 9, 10 and 11 (see section "Eligible countries" in Part A of the Erasmus+ Programme guide) **Exception**: *Organisations from Belarus (Region 2) are not eligible*

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Minimum requirements to participate past calls (2022-2023)

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	At least 4 organisations	From minimum 3 countries
Scenario 1	2 organisations (coordinator+ full partner) + 2 organisations (full partners)	2 EU MSs + 1 eligible Third country not associated to the Programme
Scenario 2	2 organisations (coordinator+ full partner) + 2 organisations (full partners)	2 Third countries associated to the Programme + 1 eligible Third country not associated to the Programme
Scenario 3	2 organisations (coordinator+ full partner) + 2 organisations (full partners)	1 EU MS + 1 Third country associated to the Programme + 1 eligible Third country not associated to the Programme
NOT POSSIBLE	Number of organisations from EU MSs and Third countries associated to the Programme CAN NOT BE HIGHER than number of organisations from eligible Third country not associated to the Programme Example: 3 organisations from 2 EU MSs + 2 organisations from 1 Third country not associated to the Programme (not possible)	

ATTENTION: Affiliated entities and associated partners are not counted in these above requirements.

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What types of organisations can participate?

Eligible participating organisations:

- **Vocational education and training providers**

- Other **public or private organisations active in the field of VET or in the labour market (non-exhaustive list):**
  * VET providers;
  * Companies, industry or sector representative organisations;
  * National/regional qualification authorities;
  * Employment services ;
  * Research institutes;
  * Innovation agencies;
  * Regional development authorities etc.

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What types of organisations can participate?

ATTENTION: WHO CAN BE APPLICANT/COORDINATOR ?

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.
Organisations from third countries **not** associated to the Programme **cannot** be coordinators.

ATTENTION:

The consortium must include at least one VET provider at non-tertiary education level.

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Call ID: ERASMUS-EDU-2024-CB-VET

Duration

Usually 1 or 2 or 3 years

Budget

Uusally total EU grant per project: from 100.000 € to 400.000€

Total EU grant for all projects: 25 250 170 €

EU grant can cover maximum of 80% of a total budget of a project

Where to apply

Call ID: ERASMUS-EDU-2024-CB-VET

Funding and Tenders opportunities portal

Deadline

Usually February – March at 17:00:00

(Brussels time - CET)

Usually July-August you could expect an answer if your project was selected. If yes, we will sign a contract usually until November.

Venues of the activities: The activities must take place in the countries of the organisations participating in the project (exception: seats of EU institutions, or in EU MSs, third countries associated or not associated in duly justified cases – relevant events)
Financial mechanism: Lump sums Type II (no tables with costs, use actual costs)

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LUMP SUM - Type of costs, basic documents and rules

1. [Programme Guide](#)
   (What are the funding rules? Check the financial conditions)

2. [Annotated Model Grant Agreement](#)

3. **EU grant is maximum 80%** of the estimated budget. Maximum EU grant: 400 000 EUR

4. 20% - Contribution from sources other than the EU grant (own resources, financial contributions from third parties or income generated by the project)

A. DIRECT PERSONNEL COSTS			
A1. Employee~~(for equivalent) person months~~			
Type 1		With partners agree on 4 common types of staff	
Type 2			
Type 3			
Type 4			
Other			
A.2 Natural persons under direct contract			
A.3 Seconded persons			
A.4 SME Owners without salary			
A.5 Volunteers			
B. Subcontracting costs			
C. Purchase costs			
C.1 Travel and subsistence per travel or day			
Travel			
Accommodation			
Subsistence			
C.2 Equipment (please refer to the Depreciation Cost sheet)			
C.3 Other goods, works and services			
Consumables			
Services for Meetings, Seminars			
Services for communication/promotion/dissemination			
Website			
Artistic Fees			
Other (please specify details under worksheet "Comments")			
TOTAL DIRECT COSTS INCLUDING SUBCONTRACTING (A+B+C+D)			
E. Indirect costs 7% (rounded to zero decimals)			
TOTAL COSTS (A+B+C+D+E) -			

5. Use actual costs for all type of costs *(estimation)*

6. No percentage limits *(for costs categories A, B or C)*

7. Recommendation: Prepare your total budget with all actual costs and then transfer it to work packages with lump sum system. You will do it with the help (if need be) of calculating an average amounts of actual costs

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3. How to find coordinator/partner

Finding coordinator/partner – Try different ways

1. If you already have contacts with VET providers in EU or third countries associated to the Erasmus+ Programme, get in touch with them **to check if they plan to apply** under this action.

2. Contact **European networks** of VET Providers (e.g. EVTA, EVBB, EfVET, EUproVET) and networks that represent higher education institutions also active in the field of VET (e.g. EURASHE, EUCEN). EVBB – European Association of Institutes of Vocational Training- https://evbb.eu/ reconfirmed to us its willingness to help to find coordinator/partner in EU on 25/10/2023.

3. Organisation active in **lifelong guidance, counselling, learning mobility and career management** contact the European network Euroguidance.

4. **Involve other Ukrainian organizations** – make your project stronger.

5. As Ukrainina organisation think to involve other organizations from the same region 3 - **Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Moldova** – it might be they have contacts to organizations from EU/third countries associated to the programme.

Finding coordinator/partner – Try different ways

6. Erasmus+ VET-related projects (2014-2020) on the Erasmus+ Project Results Platform. Please use the 'advanced search', selecting Erasmus+ Programme and within the different actions please focus on vocational education and training.

7. Use the section "*Partner search announcements*" - https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/how-to-participate/partner-search - in the Funding & Tenders Opportunities Portal (FTOP)

8. **Contact Ukrainian VET experts** you know – it might they help you to find coordinator/partner.

9. **CEDEFOP – European Centre for Development of VET** https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en , **REFERNET** – is a network of   institutions. It provide information on national vocational education and training (VET) systems and policies in the EU Member States, Iceland and Norway. https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/networks/refernet/national-partners

Finding coordinator/partner – Try different ways

10.   EPALE (Electronic Platform for Adult Learning in Europe) platform and/or you could register to the Community of European VET practitioners.

11.   The Katapult Network includes a network and matchmaking tool to build relationships with new partners. The direct link to the matchmaking tool is here. How does it work?

12.   If you are a member of the European Training Foundation (ETF) Open Space, you may look for partners there. In particular, you may contact the Network run by the European Training Foundation (ETF) that includes numerous VET centers in Europe and ETF partner countries as well as the ETF Quality Assurance forum that involves more than 20 countries. In this context, you may consult the ETF regions and countries.

13.   Contact **National Erasmus+ Office** (see the list here), which may have received requests for cooperation from potential CB VET applicants.

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4. Tips for applicants/shortcomings of submitted applications

TIPS FOR APPLICANTS

- **Start** today

- **Strategy**, create **idea,** own **team,** decide about **coordinator and partners**

- Check model of **application** from last year

    - PART B – Description of the action – only for an inspiration

    - Excel budget table - only for an inspiration

- Be inspired by **successful projects** - check their project web pages

- Improve your project and **re-submitted it** (if it was not selected last year)

ATTENTION:
These documents are ONLY for an inspiration. They might be slightly changed for your call.

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TIPS FOR APPLICANTS

- Answer each guiding point of each 4 award criteria
  (see in the Programme guide) – **example for an inspiration
  – valid for
  the last year**

Guiding points

Award criterion

| Relevance of the project
(maximum score 30 points) | ▪ **Link to thematic areas:** the relevance of the proposal to the objectives and thematic areas of the action;
▪ **Regional priorities:** the proposal addresses the regional priorities, **including relevant policy documents listed under this action;**
▪ **Local context:** the proposal is based on an adequate needs analysis and feasible in the local context of the targeted country(/ies);
▪ **Consistency:** the objectives of the application are clearly defined, realistic and address issues relevant to the participating organisations and target groups;
▪ **Innovation:** the proposal considers state-of-the-art methods and techniques, and leads to innovative results and solutions for its field in general, or for the geographical context in which the project is implemented (e.g. content; outputs produced, working methods applied, organisations and persons involved or targeted);
▪ **Complementarity:** the proposal is complementary to other initiatives already carried out by the participating organisations;
▪ **Capacity building:** the capacity building activities are clearly defined and aim at reinforcing the capacities, principally of the participating organisations from third countries not associated to the Programme;
▪ **Link to strategies:** the activities inscribe themselves in the development strategies of the targeted VET providers and support strategies at country level, including a greater attention to employability, inclusion, diversity and socio-economically disadvantaged participants where relevant;
▪ **Horizontal aspects:** the horizontal aspects of the Programme are taken into consideration. |

GOOD PROJECT

- **Clear needs analysis** (concrete for your project, for participants, ~~for~~ partner from all third countries **not** associated to the Programme)

- **In line with policy documents** (see the Programme guide)

- **In line with regional priorities** (see the Programme guide)

- **Deliverables linked to capacity buidling** (clearly supporting capacity in VET)

- **Relevant consortium** (including players in VET, world of work, decision makers)

- **Realistic impact** (explaining what will your project change in VET)

- **Balanced EU grant** (rememeber: focus is on third countries **not** associated to Programme)

Feedback from our monitoring

- Projects which have done an **impactful Needs Analysis** have a more focused/easier implementation

- Projects which deliver **impact for the VET providers** are particularly of interest for Feedback to Policy

- **Deliverables** (rather quality than quantity)

- **Communication/Dissemination/stakeholder engagement starts as of day one**: cover it in the proposal and 2-3 deliverables accompanying the implementation.

- Partner constellations: **Big consortia are more difficult to manage**; those consortia which manage to establish already at proposal-stage a thorough and detailed collaboration have it easier in the implementation.

SUCCESSFUL PROJECT

✓ **Be coherent:** avoid contradictions and "cut and paste" style applications

✓ **Be concrete:** use examples, justify your claims, provide evidence

✓ **Be clear**: read the questions carefully, provide information in the correct order as indicated in the form

✓ **Be explicit:** take nothing for granted; don't assume that experts have prior knowledge; avoid abbreviations or explain them

✓ **Be realistic:** the application is the basis of your project to be; it is also the cornerstone of the commitment you will sign

✓ **Remain focused**: concentrate exclusively on what is asked of you

✓ **Eligibility:** make sure you have followed all instructions and that the proposal meets all mandatory requirements

✓ **Keep it simple:** use short sentences, vary the length if you wish to make it more interesting but keep it simple and focused

Key Resources

- **Erasmus+ Programme Guide** – Call information and requirements

- **Funding & Tender Opportunities Portal** – To Apply, see running projects, finding partners…

- **EACEA Website** – Recordings of **info session** – 7/12/2022- only as inspiration as it is linked to previous call 2023)

Funding mechanisms

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> 7 DECEMBER 2022
> **Funding mechanisms- Online Info Session 07122022 - Capacity building in the field of Vocational Education and Training (VET)**
> **English** (1.69 MB - PDF)
> Download

Application form and submission procedure

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