

Financing adult learning database

Name of the instrument - Local language	Chèque outplacement
Name of the instrument - English translation	Outplacement voucher
Scheme ID	331
Country	■ Belgium
Reporting year	2020
Type of instrument	Grant for individuals
Sub-type of instrument	Lump-sum support
Type of entry	Single instrument

Short description	People who have lost their job in the private sector have in general the right to outplacement aid paid by their (former) firm. However, if this firm does not comply people may apply for outplacement paid by FOREM (Walloon public employment agency). Certain conditions and obligations have to be fulfilled and FOREM will pay outplacement costs up to EUR 1 500 via an outplacement voucher.
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Level of operation	National
Name of a part of the country	Not applicable
Name of the region (for regional instruments)	Not applicable
Name of the sector (for sectoral instruments)	Not applicable
Relevance	Key instrument
Legal basis	Not available
Year of implementation	2003
Operation/management	FOREM pays for outplacement costs up to EUR 1 500 via an outplacement voucher for people who have lost their job in the private sector, if their (former) employer does

	not comply with offering outplacement aid. Outplacement training has to start within 12 months after receiving the voucher.
Eligible group(s)	People who have lost their job in the private sector.
Group(s) with preferential treatment	No preferential treatment
Education and training eligible	Outplacement training (i.e. 'preparation' to apply for a new job, a set of services and training designed to get people back to work as quickly as possible) with certified providers.
Source of financing and collection mechanism	FOREM (Walloon regional PES), the institution that is responsible for outplacement in Wallonia, is also the institution which funds this instrument.
Financing formula and allocation mechanisms	Forem pays outplacement training up to EUR 1 500 (via a dedicated outplacement training voucher). Outplacement training has to start within 12 months after receiving the voucher.
Volumes of funding	Not available
Beneficiaries/take up	Not available
Organisation responsible for monitoring/evaluation	FOREM (Walloon public employment agency)
Most relevant webpage - in English	https://www.leforem.be/particuliers/aides-financieres-cheque-outplaceme