Financing adult learning database

Name of the instrument - Local language	Average wage earner scheme
Name of the instrument - English translation	Average wage earner scheme
Scheme ID	355
Country	Malta
Reporting year	2020
Type of instrument	Grant for individuals
Sub-type of instrument	Lump-sum support
Type of entry	Single instrument

Short description	Employed and self-employed persons attending one of the JobsPlus courses and whose weekly wage does not exceed EUR 300 (basic) per week can apply for this grant. Employed individuals following these courses can benefit from a financial grant of EUR 25 per week provided that they attend a minimum of four hours of training per week. The grant is given to an individual upon successfully completing the whole course. JobsPlus offers training courses in various areas including literacy and numeracy, computing, trade, technical, accounting, clerical work, and care services. Payment is based on the hours an individual attends and the duration of the course. Persons who terminate or drop out of the course, and/or have absences, which preclude them from sitting for the final assessment, are not eligible to claim this allowance.

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	Further instrument

Legal basis	Chapter 594 Employment and Training Services Act
Objective(s) and target(s)	To assist employed and self-employed persons attending one of JobsPlus courses and whose weekly wage does not exceed EUR 300 (basic) per week.
Operation/management	The grant is implemented by the national PES JobsPlus. The grant is given to an individual upon successfully completing the whole course.
Eligible group(s)	Employed and self-employed not earning more than EUR 300 / week
Group(s) with preferential treatment	No preferential treatment.
Education and training eligible	JobsPlus courses. Jobsplus offers training courses in various areas including literacy and numeracy, computing, trade, technical, accounting, clerical work and care services.
Source of financing and collection mechanism	National funding
Financing formula and allocation mechanisms	financial grant of €25 per week provided that they attend a minimum of four hours of training per week
Eligible costs	Not applicable, as it is a lump-sum grant.
Volumes of funding	EUR 133 475 in 2019 EUR 119 175 in 2018 EUR 75 875 in 2017
Beneficiaries/take up	644 in 2019 402 in 2018 299 in 2017
Organisation responsible for monitoring/evaluation	JobsPlus (PES & implementing body)
Most relevant webpage - in English	https://jobsplus.gov.mt/schemes-jobseekers/average-wage-earners-scheme
Most relevant webpage - local language	https://jobsplus.gov.mt/schemes-jobseekers/average-wage-earners-scheme
Recent changes	No recent amendment Recent changes in response to COVID-19 No changes
Sources	https://jobsplus.gov.mt/schemes-jobseekers/average-wage-earners-scheme https://jobsplus.gov.mt/resources/publication-statistics-mt-mt-en-gb/pu...