

National VET team



Timeline



ID number 38752

Background

The Education Exchanges Support Foundation carried out initial analysis of the implementation of ESF-funded projects for the design and development of VET reforms. It found that ECVET is quite sufficiently used, as the result of projects of the ECVET team, while EQAVET is used to some extent. However, there is a demand to perform a needs analysis on the use of the EU VET tools in the national context and implementation in Erasmus+ projects: what are EU VET tools; how VET tools could be used and improve the quality of the Erasmus+ projects; how could VET tools be useful in the national context of the projects; how could the tools be used in the projects; on what specific issues are the consultations needed?

The Education Exchanges Support Foundation will assist the National Authority in the process of selecting and appointing a VET team of five to seven experts (Profesinio Mokymo Ekspertų Tinklas- ProMet), representing different sectors and who are familiar with the VET national context, Erasmus+ programmes and with the use of different EU VET tools.

Objectives

The aim of the national VET team is to support the implementation of EU VET tools in Erasmus+ projects in Lithuania; its objectives are to:

- (a) raise the awareness of Erasmus+ potential applicants and beneficiaries about EU VET tools;
- (b) improve the understanding of Erasmus+ potential applicants and beneficiaries about the implementation of EU VET tools in the projects in the national context.

Description

The work plan of the national VET team, to be established in 2021, will focus on:

- (a) carrying out analysis on the use of EU VET tools in the national context;
- (b) providing promotional material about EU VET tools (one e-booklet and two newsletters);

- (c) organising discussions engaging the National Authority and relevant stakeholders on the implementation of EU VET tools in Erasmus+ projects, a monitoring seminar and presentations on the use of EU VET tools in Erasmus+ projects.

2021 Implementation

The public procurement for setting up the team of national VET experts took place in 2021 and seven experts from different regions and institutions (headmasters of VET centres, policy analysts, expert teachers) have been selected.

In November 2021, the national VET team organised a meeting with representatives from VET institutions to discuss international strategic initiatives and the implementation of activities and projects. During the event, the main European tools for mobility and internationalisation of VET were presented and discussed.

2022 Implementation

In 2022, the national VET team organised national meetings and activities focusing on two main topics:

- (a) support for implementing mobility activities working with project managers from Education Exchanges Support Foundation and VET teachers from VET institutions;
- (b) organisation of a community for VET practitioners engaged in the implementation of Erasmus+ programme goals.

In 2022, Pro Met experts prepared a publication with the title: 'Programme Erasmus+ mobility projects in VET sector. Guide to preparation training contracts for mobility' for project managers. This publication was prepared on demand of project managers from VET institutions as new Erasmus+ programme was released, and the European Commission updated the Learning Agreement template for participants in mobility activities (learners and employees).

2023 Implementation

In 2023, the composition of the national VET team was renewed, with nine new experts joining to work on three main topics:

- (a) identification, development, assessment, recognition and application of learning outcomes for VET staff mobility;
- (b) inclusion and diversity in VET;
- (c) development of Centres of Vocational Excellence.

Throughout the year, the team carried out several initiatives. An annual thematic monitoring seminar was organised for the community of practice, bringing together 62 participants. The publication 'I care. Mantas story. Inclusion in my organisation: The present and a vision for the future' was drafted. Additionally, a survey was conducted among target groups to assess competence development in mobility projects. Moreover, the National team of experts held three expert meetings. During these and other meetings within the VET community, experts provided individual consultations to participants.

2024 Implementation

In 2024, national VET team experts released the publications 'I care. Mantas story. Inclusion in my organisation: the present and a vision for the future' and the 'Guidelines for identifying, writing, assessing, recognising and applying the learning outcomes of persons responsible for the educational process within the Erasmus+ program projects'. Four National VET team meetings and training sessions were organised. Representatives of the national VET team participated in the VET Teams' Riga meeting 'Joint Inspiration for future success' with national VET teams from Estonia, Finland, Ireland, Latvia and Romania. Additionally, experts provided individual

consultations and engaged in meetings with the VET community.

2025 Implementation

In 2025, the national VET team experts organised dedicated events on topics related to Centres of Vocational Excellence, Inclusion in Erasmus+ programme projects, and the identification, development, assessment, recognition and application of learning outcomes in Erasmus+ programme staff mobilities. Representatives of the national VET team participated in the 'Lithuanian and Romanian VET Team Study Visit to Dublin' on transversal skills and in the transnational VET Teams network meeting 'Participation in democratic life in VET'. Additionally, national VET team experts met with the VET community and provided consultations.

Bodies responsible

- Education Exchanges Support Foundation

Target group

Education professionals

Teachers
Trainers

Entities providing VET

VET providers (all kinds)

Other stakeholders

Social partners (employer organisations and trade unions)

Thematic categories

Transparency and portability of VET skills and qualifications

Using EU transparency tools (EQF, Europass, ESCO, ECTS, ECVET principles)

Supporting lifelong learning culture and increasing participation

Promotion strategies and campaigns for VET and lifelong learning

Subsystem

IVET CVET

Further reading

[Information about National VET team \(only in Lithuanian\)](#)

Related policy developments

2025 Implementation

Securing non-ESF international support for VET reforms

In 2017, the EU allocated as much as EUR 25.7 million for implementation of the Erasmus+ programme in Lithuania. Almost 900 eligible applications were submitted for grants in the country per year. Some 297 education and training applications were received in 2017.

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Type of development

Practical
measure/Initiative

Subsystem

IVET CVET

2020 Completed

Implementation of ECVET

In 2014, national ECVET experts participated in public information activities and discussions with stakeholders in Lithuania, presented reports at events of the Education Exchanges Support Foundation, events at national VET institutions and at different events in Europe, and prepared information

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