

# More VET programmes become advantage programmes

POLICY DEVELOPMENT

PRACTICAL MEASURE/INITIATIVE

 DENMARK

## Timeline

2019 **Approved/Agreed**

2020 **Implementation**

2021 **Discontinued**

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## Background

The lack of internships in the Danish dual VET system has been a problem for many years, and many measures have been put in place to solve the problem. One of the measures is to define certain VET programmes as advantage programmes, giving students a guarantee of an internship in a company and giving programmes a better image: 28 Danish VET advantage programmes have been set up and have been successful. Eight new programmes have been given this status.

## Objectives

The objective of the initiative is to define eight Danish VET programmes as advantage programmes aiming to improve their attractiveness.

## Description

The initiative is designed so that employers in eight VET programmes guarantee the students that, at least three months after they have finished the second basic course (GF2), they will be given an internship in a company, and that they must have maximally 15% of their practical training in a school-based training centre. Companies able to deliver this will receive funding. A special digital platform will be set up in order to enhance the visibility of these programmes.

### 2019 **Approved/Agreed**

The Ordinance of the Law on Employers' Education Contributions was approved.

### 2020 **Implementation**

Thirty-six VET programmes became advantage programmes.

### 2021 **Discontinued**

The tripartite agreement of the National Association of Municipalities (KL), the National Association of the Danish Regions and the social partners replaced the initiative. All of

the advantage programmes have been terminated as of 1 January 2022.

## Bodies responsible

- Ministry of Children and Education

## Target group

### Learners

Learners in upper secondary, including apprentices  
Young people (15-29 years old)  
Young people not in employment, education or training (NEETs)

### Entities providing VET

Companies  
Small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)  
VET providers (all kinds)

## Thematic categories

### Modernising VET offer and delivery

Reinforcing work-based learning, including apprenticeships

### Supporting lifelong learning culture and increasing participation

Ensuring equal opportunities and inclusiveness in education and training

## Subsystem

IVET

## Further reading

[List of advantage programmes \(in Danish\)](#)

[The Ordinance of the Law on Employers' Education Contributions](#)

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