

Actions related to ECVET

POLICY DEVELOPMENT

PRACTICAL MEASURE/INITIATIVE

 LATVIA

Timeline



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Description

A national team of ECVET experts is in place since 2014 to promote general understanding of ECVET principles and provide informative support to vocational schools.

In 2017-18, several seminars and an international conference were organised with the participation of ECVET experts on the practical application of ECVET principles. In 2018, ECVET National experts prepared the e-brochure Why ECVET, and organised a webinar addressed to representatives of vocational and adult education, teachers, policy makers, social partners, including employers.

2015 Implementation

2016 Implementation

2017 Implementation

2018 Implementation

In 2018, ECVET National experts prepared the e-brochure Why ECVET, and organised a webinar addressed to representatives of vocational and adult education, teachers, policy makers, social partners and employers.

2019 Implementation

In 2019, VIAA actively continued to promote and enhance progress toward the application of ECVET principles in the country. In close cooperation with National team of ECVET experts, new tools and methods were used: four regional seminars (Kurzeme, Kuldiga on 22 August 2019; Zemgale, Ogre on 10 June 2019; Latgale, Daugavpils on 17 October 2019; and Vidzeme, Cesis on 4 November 2019); video-recording; Skype ppt; stock-taking and upgrading of ECVET web page; and dissemination in the ECVET Europe Magazine. VIAA provided training and advice during information and kick-off meetings for Erasmus+ Mobility project applicants and beneficiaries. A national seminar ECVET and geographic mobility: step by step was organised on 25 September 2019. The VIAA webpage has been regularly updated and provides useful, well-structured information on ECVET topicalities, materials, and presentations.

2020 Implementation

The Erasmus+ LV National Agency for Education and Training (VIAA) continued to coordinate the work of the national team of four ECVET experts. 2020 was the last year of the ECVET annual activity plan implementation within Erasmus+ (2014-20) programme. The emphasis was put on promoting ECVET as an essential facilitating instrument to ensure the qualitative aspects of VET mobility content implementation for institutions both with and without VET mobility charters. It was executed in close context with VET reforms, including VET programme modularisation. A comprehensive e-material, ECVET: for mobility implementation quality has been developed and is meant to serve as practical guide for quality of VET mobility implementation defining and using learning outcomes, their assessment, validation and recognition procedures in the current Erasmus+, as well as looking forward to the next Erasmus+ period (2021-27). It is available online in pdf version as well as in convenient 'issuu' tool format. A training webinar of the developed material took place by Zoom on 21 December 2020; a video recording is available for further examination by all interested parties. Training and advice were given in Erasmus+ KA1 VET Mobility final beneficiaries kick-off on-line webinar on 28 September 2020, concentrating on mobility implementation quality issues facilitated by ECVET.

The ECVET expert overview on ECVET LV achievements was delivered in the Erasmus+ (2014-20) LV results dissemination conference Role of Erasmus+ in education modernisation and implementation of the reforms (online format, more than 300 participants) on 17 December 2020. Cooperation with policy makers, other institutions and networks was successfully continued, promotion of ECVET continuously done in coordination with other European instruments, such as participation in the annual EU LV networks meeting on 24 September 2020. All ECVET LV materials, presentations, video recordings, articles, for the period 2014-20 were supplemented annually and available in the ECVET section of the VIAA webpage. Information on ECVET topicalities, materials, presentations and news were regularly disseminated for the ECVET e-community (~360 contacts).

2021 Implementation

ECVET team activities were completed in 2020. 2021 was a transition period to new forms and content of work for VET experts in relation to the Council recommendation of 24 November 2020 on vocational education and training for sustainable competitiveness, social fairness and resilience (2020/C 417/01).

2022 Completed

In 2022, ECVET team activities and the transition period to new forms and content of work for VET experts were completed.

Bodies responsible

- State Education Development Agency (VIAA)
- National team of ECVET experts

Target group

Learners

Learners in upper secondary, including apprentices
Adult learners

Education professionals

Teachers
Trainers

Adult educators

Entities providing VET

VET providers (all kinds)

Thematic categories

Transparency and portability of VET skills and qualifications

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

European and international dimensions of VET

VET internationalisation strategies

Subsystem

IVET CVET

Related policy developments

2024 Implementation

Amendments to the VET law

Amendments to the law should allow students to receive a State-recognised partial vocational qualifications, thus promoting a competence-based approach in VET.

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Type of development

Regulation/Legislation

Subsystem

IVET CVET

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