

Strengthening entrepreneurship in VET

POLICY DEVELOPMENT

REGULATION/LEGISLATION

 DENMARK

Timeline

2024 Approved/Agreed 2025 Implementation

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Background

The global talent competition is fierce and Denmark needs to become even more attractive to entrepreneurial talents.

Objectives

The objective of the agreement is:

- (a) to strengthen the opportunities for entrepreneurs in Denmark;
- (b) to create an 'entrepreneurial ecosystem' that continuously develops more talents within the field.

Description

Through the *Agreement on the entrepreneurship package*, the government and the majority of parties in parliament want to strengthen opportunities for entrepreneurs in Denmark and develop a stronger entrepreneurial culture nationwide.

The agreement parties have agreed to strengthen the entrepreneurial culture through different initiatives within five key action areas. Within the key action area *Promoting talents*, the agreement allocates funds to strengthen entrepreneurial environments in VET institutions and higher education institutions. A total of EUR 650 thousand (DKK 5 million) has been allocated for 2025 and 2026, and thereafter EUR 1.3 million (DKK 10 million) annually.

The purpose is to get more young entrepreneurial talents by improving conditions for entrepreneurs in VET institutions, as well as university colleges, business academies, maritime education institutions, and higher artistic education institutions. These institutions will have the opportunity to apply for funding to promote or establish entrepreneurial environments for students, whereby students will have the opportunity to develop entrepreneurship skills. The initiative will be implemented by the Foundation for Entrepreneurship.

2024 Approved/Agreed

In June 2024, the government and most parties in parliament reached the *Entrepreneurship package* agreement.

2025 Implementation

The latest development is that the Danish Foundation for Entrepreneurship has set up a special pool of funds to support entrepreneurial environments in VET and short and medium-cycle adult education (please refer to the system chart in the VET in Europe database and in the Danish short description both provided by Cedefop in collaboration with ReferNet Denmark). In addition, an annual entrepreneurship award is presented to young entrepreneurs who have made a particularly innovative (not based on educational level, but level of entrepreneurial skills).

Bodies responsible

- Ministry of Industry, Business and Financial Affairs
- Foundation for Entrepreneurship

Target group

Learners

Learners in upper secondary, including apprentices
Young people (15-29 years old)

Entities providing VET

VET providers (all kinds)

Thematic categories

Modernising VET offer and delivery

Acquiring key competences

Subsystem

IVET CVET

Further reading

Ministry of Industry, Business and Financial Affairs. (2024, June 21). Broad majority agrees on billion-Danish krone (approximately EUR 134 million) agreement for Danish entrepreneurship[press release]

[Agreement on the Entrepreneurship package \(in Danish\)](#)

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