


Financing adult learning database

Name of the instrument - Local language	Fonds de formation Titres-services (FR)/Opleidingsfonds dienstencheques (NL)
Name of the instrument - English translation	Training fund for household/personal services
Scheme ID	13
Country	 Belgium
Reporting year	2015
Type of instrument	Grant for companies
Type of entry	Example for a group of instruments

Short description	Companies in the sector of household/personal services receive a fixed amount of money (flat-rate of EUR 14.50 per hour) from a training fund for training their employees. Additional funding for course fees is available.
Short description of the related instruments	nap

Level of operation	Sectoral
	Regional
Name of a part of the country	nap
Name of the region (for regional instruments)	Wallonia
Name of the sector (for sectoral instruments)	Household / personal services
Relevance	Marginal scheme
Legal basis	Royal decree of 7 June 2007 regarding the training fund for household services modified by Royal decrees of 22 July 2009 and 10 October 2013
Year of implementation	2007
Year of latest amendment	2014

Operation/management	On 1 April 2015, management was transferred from the Federal Government to the following regional-level authorities: Le Forem, Service Public de Wallonie, Service public regional de Bruxelles, Vlaamse Overheid
Eligible group(s)	Companies in the sector of household/personal services. Preferential treatment: companies hiring and providing training to previous recipients of social benefits
Group(s) with preferential treatment	Companies hiring and providing training to previous recipients of social benefits.
Education and training eligible	Since 1 October 2013, a household/personal services company can get EUR 150 or € 350 when workers from the "60% target group" (i.e. recipients of social benefits) follow a training path of minimum of nine or eighteen hours in the first three months of being hired. These amounts are not deducted from the training budget allocated to the eligible business. The training pathway must include one or more approved external training courses (i.e. for which the applicant / training institute received approval).
Source of financing and collection mechanism	Public funds, transferred to the regional level
Financing formula and allocation mechanisms	<p>Since October 2013, the compensation flat-rate for the salary of household/personal services workers taking up training is EUR 14.50 (instead of the previous EUR 12.60).</p> <p>Since October 2013, a household/personal services company can get EUR 150 or EUR 300 when workers from the "60% target group" (i.e. recipients of social benefits) follow a training path of minimum of 9 or 18 hours in the first 3 months of being hired.</p> <p>Allocation: Funds are distributed in case of meeting the pre-determined (through top-down procedures) criteria best.</p>
Eligible costs	Specific arrangement
Volumes of funding	na
Beneficiaries/take up	In 2011, 622 companies benefited from the scheme.
Organisation responsible for monitoring/evaluation	SPF Emploi (FOD WASO) (also ONEM and ONSS).
Monitoring/evaluation reports available	na
Most relevant webpage - in English	na
Most relevant webpage - local language	na
Sources	Royal decree of 7 June 2007 regarding the training fund

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