

Financing adult learning database

Name of the instrument - Local language	Steuerliche Absetzbarkeit von Betriebsausgaben		
Name of the instrument - English translation	tax allowance - operating expenses		
Scheme ID	49		
Country	Germany		
Reporting year	2015		
Type of instrument	Tax incentive for companies		
Type of entry	Single instrument		
Short description	Companies can reduce the corporate income tax base with their training costs. The eligible activities include education (in general schools colleges, universities), training in the current profession and re-training.		
Short description of the related instruments	nap		
Level of operation	National		
Name of a part of the country	nap		
Name of the region (for regional instruments)	nap		
Name of the sector (for sectoral instruments)	nap		
Relevance	Key scheme		
Legal basis	§4 (4) of the German Income Tax Law		
Year of latest amendment	2015		
Operation/management	The scheme is a part of the federal taxation system.		

Group(s) with preferential treatment	None			
Education and training eligible	- Education (in general schools, colleages, unversities) - Training in a profession not related to the current employment and with the aim of changing the profession - Further training in the current profession to expand or adapt to changing requirements - Retraining (when emloyment in the current profesion can not be continued due to health reasons)			
Source of financing and collection mechanism	State (loss of tax revenue) company			
Financing formula and allocation mechanisms	Training costs reduce the basis for the corporate income tax. Details of tax treatment (depending on the type of education and training): - education: special expenses - partial deductibility - training not related to the current profession: special expenses - partial deductibility - furher training in the current profession: expenses deductible without limit - retraining due to health reasons: extraordinary burdens (deductible without limit).			
Eligible costs	Fees and other costs related to education and training			
Frequency of the use	Each year			
Volumes of funding	na			
Beneficiaries/take up	na			
Organisation responsible for monitoring/evaluation	Local finance offices in the name of the Federal Ministry of Finance.			
Monitoring/evaluation reports available	na			
Most relevant webpage - in English	na			
Most relevant webpage - local language	http://www.gesetze-im- internet.de/bundesrecht/estg/gesamt.pdf			
Sources	http://www.akademie.de/wissen/fiskus-finanziert-fortbildungen Einkommensteuergesetz (EStG) in der Fassung der Bekanntmachung vom 8. Oktober 2009 (BGBl. I S. 3366, 3862 Stand: Neugefasst durch Bek. v. 8.10.2009 I 3366, 3862; zuletzt geändert Art. 2 Abs. 7 G v. 1.4.2015, Online: http://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/bundesrecht/estg/gesamt.pdf			