Second Chance Schools - Spain

Escuelas de Segunda Oportunidad (E2O)

Date of creation
2017

Beneficiaries

- Unemployed young people
- Young people with complex needs (e.g. health issues, in poverty, with caring responsibilities, socially disadvantaged, living in a remote location)
- Learners who lack employability skills

Mainly unemployed young people (15-29 years old) who have had difficulties in their ordinary schooling and who have not obtained the secondary education certificate (“ESO – Educación Secundaria Obligatoria”). Hence, young people who have not the minimum qualifications to access employment easily or with good working conditions.

Countries

- Spain

Education level and sector

- Secondary education
- Lower secondary education
- Lower secondary vocational education and training (school-based)
- Lower secondary vocational education and training (work-based learning)
- Upper secondary education
- Upper secondary vocational education and training (school-based)
- Upper secondary vocational education and training (work-based learning)

Vocational Education and Training (VET) (school-based and apprenticeship based)
Lower secondary/Upper secondary

Type of policy/initiative
**Aims of policy/initiative**

E2O’s aim is to provide individualized and comprehensive educational responses to young people who are outside of the education system and / or have low employability. It aims to foster their social and professional integration and to bring them support thanks to a holistic approach.

**Features and types of activities implemented**

E2O’s model is based on:

- An innovative training through flexible and individualized itineraries that allow educational continuity.
- An integral accompaniment with reinforcement in basic and professional skills.
- Comprehensive support in social demands and special attention to the most vulnerable youth.
- A priority given to practical experience through a close link with the business sector.

**Resources**

At the moment, E2O in Spain do not benefit from specific funding by regional or national governments. E2O rely on both public funding (e.g., through call for proposals) and private funding (e.g., through private foundations). Resources vary among E2O and also depending on the region.

**Evaluation of the measure**
Evidence of effectiveness of the measure

E2O certifications in Spain until June 2020: 42 Second Chance Schools in 9 regions, representing more than 8000 young people, of which 32% are women.

The Spanish Association of Second Chance Schools (E2O España) counts with 40 members to date and it is currently working to gather and publish detailed indicators of the impact that E2O have in Spain.

Success factors

Main success factors:

1. An innovative training through flexible and individualized itineraries, including comprehensive support and a special attention to the most vulnerable, as well as a priority given to practical experience.
2. A national network facilitating the cooperation among all players involved.
4. E2O National Events: each year, a National Encounter of Second Chance Schools takes place in Spain in order to promote the E2O model and reinforce cooperation among all players involved. Young people have a key role in these events.

Exchange of Good Practices (MyE2O): an online platform to exchange good practices among Second Chance Schools of Spain, France and Portugal, and within the education community (www.mye2o.org). Currently, more than 50 good practices are available to promote a more inclusive education. More information here.

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Related intervention approaches
MyE2O (www.mye2o.org) shares the educational good practices of the Second Chance Schools in Spain, Portugal and France.