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PRESS RELEASE

#CedefopVideoAward 2023 winners announced!

The 'Storytellers' team from Portugal are the winners of the inaugural [#CedefopVideoAward](#) competition, which has replaced the long-running [#CedefopPhotoAward](#). Their [video](#) shows the story of a young woman who returned to school six years after graduating from high school to pursue her dream of a career in filmmaking.

[#CedefopVideoAward 2023](#) was organised in the context of the [European Year of Skills](#). A total of 30 teams of vocational education and training (VET) learners from 7 European countries took part in the competition. The teams consisted of 117 learners and teachers, representing 18 learning providers. The learners were asked to share skills they learned during the educational process.



The winning team will be presented with their award at a dedicated event during the [26th Thessaloniki International Documentary Festival](#) (7-17 March 2024). At the event, the winners will also take part in a panel discussion with Cedefop experts, festival representatives and VET teachers on the skilling prospects of young people in a fast-evolving education and labour market environment.

[Winning entry](#)

'Storytellers' – Escola de Tecnologias Inovação e Criação do Algarve – Portugal

Team members: Beatriz Silvestre, Jordana Gasparinho, Margarida Cindra, Tiago Brito

Teacher/tutor: José Jesus

Narrative: ‘Storytelling creates a way to show different experiences and connect diverse audiences throughout the world. It transcends mere entertainment capturing emotions and complexities while shaping perspectives. We chose to show the story of a real student who finished high school a long time ago. After six years she finally decided to pursue her dream career, following her passion for filmmaking by entering a professional school, where she got the skills of: storytelling, editing, production, continuity, sound design, operating cameras and lights. Cinema is a timeless art, combining every single ambition into one: “movie magic”.’

Runners-up

- ‘Patchwork Project Team’ – 2nd VET School of Thessaloniki-DYPA – Greece
- ‘Lemon Team’– Escola de Hotelaria e Turismo de Portalegre – Portugal
- ‘Računalci @ SŠ Zlatar’ – Srednja škola Zlatar – Croatia
- ‘The Beauty beyond Memory Team’ – Atlantis College – Cyprus
- ‘GRB3_EHTVC’ – Escola de Hotelaria e Turismo de Viana do Castelo – Portugal

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