

Cyprus

Skills development, labour and skills shortages

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BASIC SKILLS

Many people do not have sufficient basic skills, such as literacy, numeracy and digital skills

Average student underachievement rate
15 year-olds; reading, maths, and science

55%



27%



Source: OECD PISA

% of adults with at least basic digital skills
16-74 year-olds

49%



56%

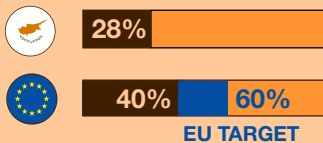


Source: Eurostat Basic digital skills

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

Not enough people are gaining the skills they need for the jobs of today and tomorrow

**Participation rate
in adult learning**



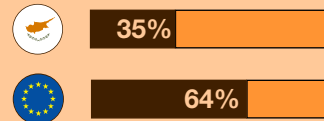
Source: Eurostat Adult education survey

**Employment rate of vocational
education and training graduates**



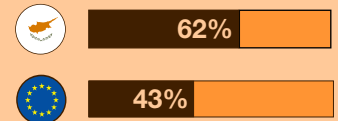
Source: Eurostat Labour force survey

**Work-based learning in voca-
tional education and training**



Source: Eurostat Labour force survey

**Share of young people
with higher education**



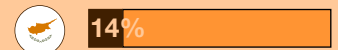
Source: Eurostat Labour force survey

**Share of students enrolled in STEM*
fields in initial medium-level VET**



Source: UOE data collection

**Share of students enrolled in STEM
fields at tertiary level**



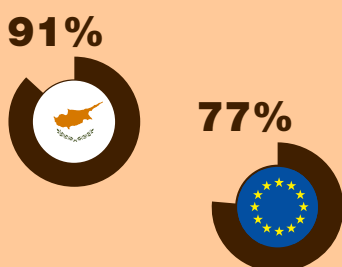
(*) science, technology, engineering and mathematics

183.3 MILLION EUROPEAN SOCIAL FUND+ AND RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE FACILITY*
2021-27 estimated investment in skills (*) ex ante cost estimates

LABOUR & SKILLS SHORTAGES

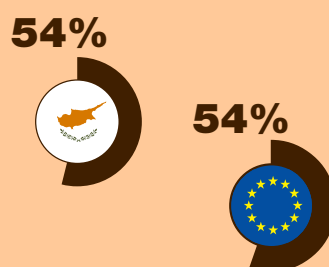
Businesses are struggling to find workers with the right skills to grow and innovate

**Companies reporting
shortages of skilled workers
as an investment barrier**



Source: EIB Investment Survey

**SMEs reporting difficulties
to find employees with the
right skills**



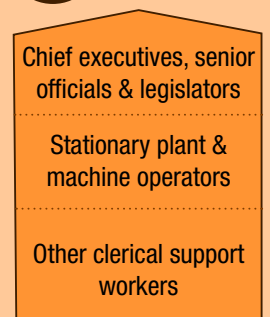
Source: Eurobarometer SMEs
and skills shortages

**Top-3 In-demand
occupations**



Source: Cedefop skillsOVATE/
ELA-EURES

**Top-3 Growing
occupations**



Source: Cedefop skills forecast