

CATALYST

Partnership for Excellence - Centres of Vocational Excellence Projects selected for funding under the ERASMUS+ 2021 call

The CATALYST project "European VET Excellence Centre for Leading Sustainable Systems and Business Transformation" is designed with strong vision and motivation to contribute to realisation of the European Green Deal and the new Industrial and SME Strategies. The desired impact of the project is the established CoVEs to be 'catalyst' on national, regional and European level, 'enable' change and 'inspire' and transformation of individuals and SMEs toward more green and sustainable systems and socities. The establishment of CATALYST CoVEs in 5 European countries: North Macedonia, Greece, Austria, Portugal and Germany will be a result of mutual collaboration of 16 project partners, and will be supported and promoted in additional 11 European countries by the 36 associated partners.

Main objectives

- To support and embrace SMEs transformation by creating an educational offer that will tackle personal and organisational development.
- To enable and inspire SMEs to re-think and re-design their business models, co-creating and sharing between educational and business organisations.
- To foster innovation and applied knowledge in approaches of learning and tailor-made VET program via the "Enable component", as well as support of SMEs to create sustainable businesses via the "Inspire component".

Main deliverables

- 5 CoVEs and CATALYST Network anchored the European VET eco-system;
- 70 VET courses for up-skilling professionals and students in the field of sustainability and management;
- Co-create and disseminate applied knowledge inspiring business-education partnerships involving students, professionals and SMEs;
- Apply the Collaborative-Innovative (CO-IN©) Model
- Create CATALYST Platform which will unite all CoVEs on a European level;
- Implement VET trainings, pilot-project with SMEs and applied joint research projects in selected sectors according to the national S3;
- Raise awareness of the potential CATALYST CoVEs have and increase the demand and attractiveness of VET.

Project duration 4 years

Lead organisation

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Location Drezdenska Br 52, 1000 Skopje, North Macedonia

Partners

NORTH MACEDONIA Civil Engineering Institute Makedonija; Small Business Chamber;

GERMANY Collaborating Centre on Sustainable Consumption and Production; Bells; Federal Association of Green Businesses; **AUSTRIA** BEST Institute of Continuous Vocational Qualification Training and Personnel Training; FH Joanneum University of Applied Sciences; Apflbutzn Faires Gwand;

PORTUGAL University Institute of Lisbon; Intellectual Capital Association; CENTIMFE;

GREECE AUEB-RC; Creative Thinking Development; Sporos Circular Solutions;

FRANCE SDSN Association Paris:

Associate Partners

NORTH MACEDONIA SUGS "Vlado Tasevski"; Yes Foundation; Ss. Cyril And Methodius University; Macedonian Chambers of Commerce;

AUSTRIA Christof Industries; Uni Graz; Fair und Sensibel Österreich; Green Tech Cluster Styria;

PORTUGAL Toolpresse, Pecas Metalicas por Prensagem LDA; ITJ; Universidade de Lisboa; MOLDIT Industria de Moldes;

GREECE UTH; University of West Attica; Techlab; Mesogeiako Ekpaideftiko Kentro; Synchrono; General Lyceum Nea Penteli; Geniko Lykeio Kompotioy; Athena - Research And Innovation Center; EYDAP; **GERMANY** City Of Krefeld;

FINLAND Vaasan Yliopisto; Helsinki Business College; Turku University Of Applied Sciences; Siec:

SLOVENIA ZRS Bistra Ptuj; Papilot Zavod Ljubljana;

CYPRUS Cyprus Employers And Industrialists Federation;

LITHUANIA Viesoji istaiga "Svietimo, tyrimu ir konsultaciju centras";

POLAND Stowarzyszenie na rzecz innowacji i edukacji;

ALBANIA Albanian Business Services Association:

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA Univerzitet Dzemal Bijedic U Mostaru; HP Investing; Winner Project;

SERBIA Univerzitet U Nisu.

Countries

North Macedonia,
Austria, Germany, Greece,
Portugal, France, Albania,
Bosnia and Herzegovina,
Cyprus, Finland, Lithuania,
Netherlands, Poland,
Serbia, Slovenia, Spain,
United Kingdom.



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