

EUROPEAN VOCATIONAL SKILLS WEEK 2022



We'd like to take this opportunity to extend a warm thank you to everyone who helped make the **2022 European Vocational Skills Week** (the Week) such an inspiring and engaging event.

The wonderful world of vocational education and training (VET) has so much to offer. This is why we invite you to continue thinking about and discovering all the possibilities offered by VET for all ages. For youth, in particular, we celebrate the **2022 European Year of Youth** and look to the future during the digital and green transitions.



2022 Week Video

In case you missed it, **watch the 2022 Week video**, which provides some key highlights from the 6th edition of the flagship Week.

[Watch video](#)

EPSCO adopts Individual Learning Accounts and Micro-credentials initiatives

EU employment and social affairs ministers at the Employment, Social Policy, Health, and Consumer Affairs Council (EPSCO) adopted four Council Recommendations to **drive a fair and inclusive green and digital transition**. EU Member States are thereby underscoring their commitment to take concrete actions to boost green and digital skills and the lifelong learning of workers, promote quality jobs, and support fair tax-benefit systems and affordable essential services.

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New Pact for Skills partnership to bolster skills in the Proximity and Social Economy industrial ecosystem



With the support of the **European Commission**, a new large-scale partnership of social economy organisations, impact investors, microfinance providers, ethical and cooperative banks, vocational education and training providers, as well as regions, has been formed. The aim is to boost skills development in the **Proximity and Social Economy industrial ecosystem**.

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New survey on the integration in VET of people fleeing Russia's invasion of Ukraine



The final conclusions of an online survey by the European Commission's **Directorate-General for Employment, Social Affairs, and Inclusion (DG EMPL)** on the integration in VET of those fleeing Russia's invasion of Ukraine are now available. Launched on 24 March 2022, the survey gathered the views of policymakers, social partners, and VET providers, and aimed at collecting useful information, including tools, tips and good practices.

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New Cedefop podcast on how micro-credentials can transform lives

Check out the new **Cedefop** podcast: **'The value of micro-credentials.'** Cedefop's **Loukas Zahilas** and **Anastasia Poulidou** explore the issues of certification, validation, and portability of micro-credentials. They also discuss the current challenges and the future for micro-credentials overall.

[Listen here](#)

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Discover the new EQAVET webpage

Information at your fingertips! The new website **EQAVET: the European Quality Assurance Reference Framework for Vocational Education and Training** is now live!



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Check out the Erasmus+ Alliances for Innovation Call 2022!

Is your organisation interested in forming an alliance to boost innovation, new skills and an entrepreneurial mindset in vocational education and training and higher education?

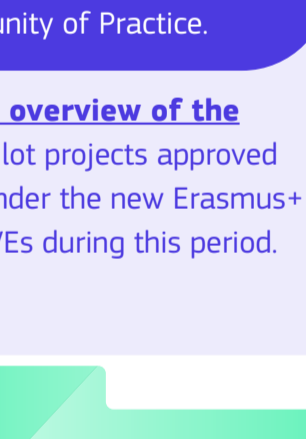
Find partners in the EU and beyond for funds now through the **Erasmus+ Alliances for Innovation Call 2022**. The call promotes partnerships between E&T and business, including VET and Blueprint projects. Check out the **FACTSHEET 2022, alongside a Toolkit and FAQ**.

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The Community of Practice on Centres of Vocational Excellence

The project leaders of Erasmus+ funded projects establishing Centres of Vocational Excellence (CoVE) have set up a **Community of Practice (CoP)** where they exchange experience, best practices and lessons learned from their CoVE projects. The community addresses common issues that are of interest to all CoVEs and promotes thematic debates on key VET issues. By doing so, the CoP is also a key interlocutor for the European Commission to continue developing the concept of vocational excellence that meets the needs of VET practitioners.



Katapult is a Dutch organisation fostering public-private partnerships in vocational and professional education, and they are also active in coordinating the Dutch CoVEs. Together with **Tknika** in the Basque country (Spain), they are playing a key role in driving the CoVE Community of Practice.

Katapult recently launched a CoVE mapping facility that provides a **user-friendly overview of the CoVE projects supported through Erasmus+ funding**. The details of the 12 pilot projects approved in 2019 and 2020 are already available, as are the 13 CoVE projects supported under the new Erasmus+ programme in the period 2021-2027. Erasmus+ will support 100 networks of CoVEs during this period.

New call for proposals on 'Social innovations for a fair green and digital transition'

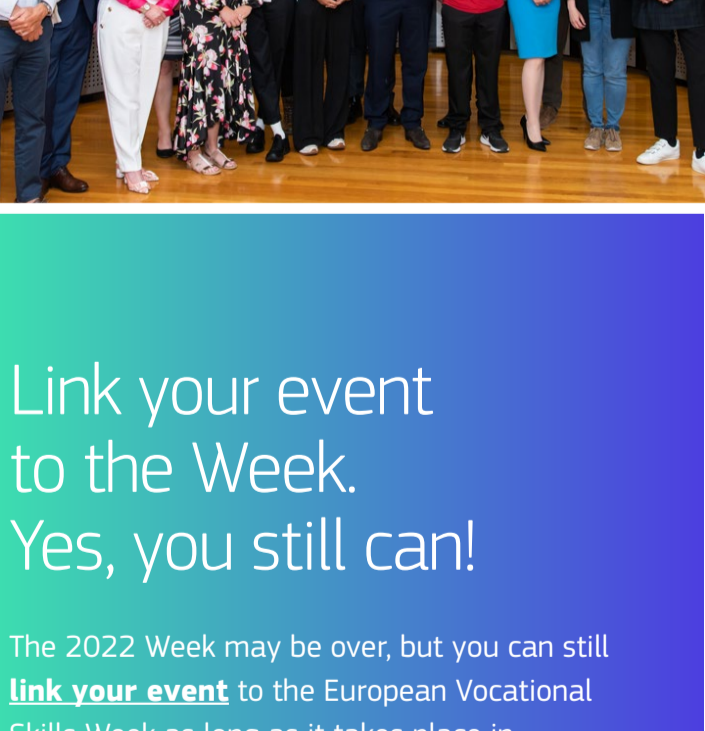
The European Commission has published a **new call for proposals on 'Social innovations for a fair green and digital transition'**, under the EaSI strand of the European Social Fund+.

Earmarking a total budget of EUR 10 million, the European Commission aims to support the implementation of the Innovation Pillar of Social Rights funding 15 to 20 projects that develop and test integrated and inclusive social innovation approaches to promote a fair green and digital transition.

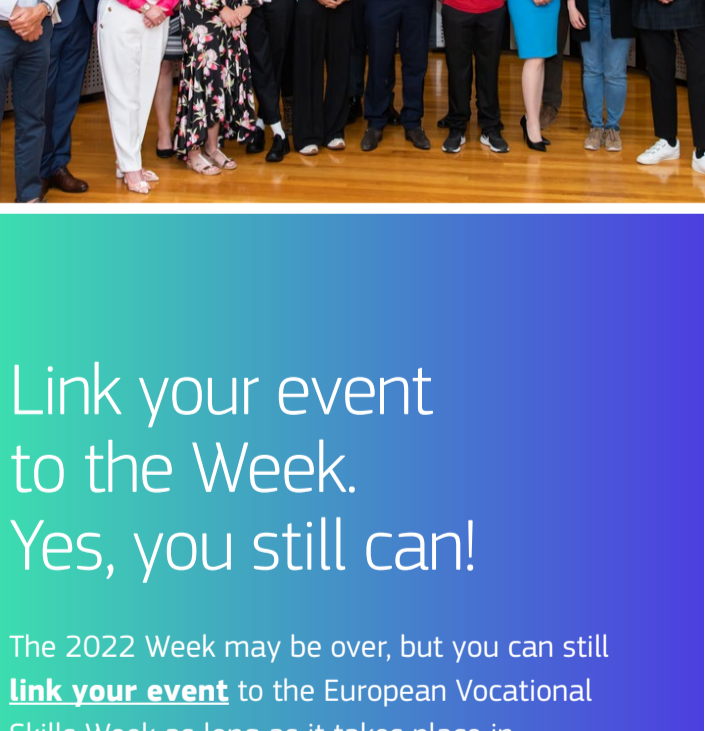
The **activities to be funded** are as diverse as capacity building, awareness, and communication, developing and testing innovative approaches to counter energy and transport poverty, to strengthen the employability of vulnerable groups in the green and digital economies, to promote new sustainable forms of business and consumption, including in the circular and social economy, and many others.

You can find out more about this call EASI-2022-SOC-INNOV on the [Funding and Tender Portal](#).

Submission deadline is 2 August 2022



Good news for ALMA: First EU Member States pledge around €270 million to implement ALMA initiative



The first EU Member States have expressed their commitment to implement the European Commission's new initiative **ALMA** (Aim, Learn, Master, Achieve).

The aim is to support disadvantaged young people on their way into the job market or to further education.

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Link your event to the Week. Yes, you still can!

The 2022 Week may be over, but you can still **link your event** to the European Vocational Skills Week as long as it takes place in 2022. We will provide you with a variety of **resources** and information to help you host and promote your VET event or activity.

[Link your event](#)

Sign up for VET events and activities linked to the Week

With **more than 1,000 VET events** now linked to the Week, with an estimated reach of just over half a million people in 29 countries, there are plenty to choose from. Discover the events running until the end of 2022.

[Upcoming & ongoing events](#)

Share your inspiring VET story

Check out how you can **share your VET** story to inspire more people to **#DiscoverYourTalent** and learn about **#EUVocationalSkills**.

[Share your story](#)

Discover our library of VET stories

Tap into the rich collection of VET stories on the main website of the Week to read about how VET has impacted so many people – across generations and industries. Find inspiring personal stories, such as **Dual retraining after parental leave – a great option!** or even enjoy someone recount their experience on video, like Guia in **VET Invent you Future – Guia's VET experience**.

[Discover VET stories](#)

Networking tool B2MATCH extended until the end of December!

Those taking part in the 2022 European Vocational Skills Week benefited from the user-friendly networking tool **B2MATCH**. We're happy to announce that the facility has been extended to the end of 2022.

[Check out B2MATCH](#)

Join the conversation Get on Social Media

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