

The EACEA is implementing **Capacity building in the field of Vocational Education and Training (CB VET)**, an action of the Erasmus + Programme.

The **deadline for submission** of applications is on

28 February 2023 (5 pm CET, Brussels time).

If you plan to **submit an application** go to the **FTOP portal**
(Section Start submission).

Our helpdesk is at your disposal for any question:

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The Erasmus+ Programme Guide, containing all relevant information, is available in all official EU languages [here](#).

This action supports **international cooperation projects based on multilateral partnerships between organisations active in the field of VET** in EU Member States and third countries associated to the Erasmus+ Programme, and third countries not associated to the Programme. It aims to enhance the relevance, accessibility, and responsiveness of VET institutions and systems in **third countries not associated to the Programme**, as a driver of sustainable socio-economic development. This action is a key component of the EU's response to the **challenges of quality, relevance and responsiveness of VET in third countries not associated to the Programme for employment, socio-economic recovery, growth and prosperity**.

Info session

A web streamed [Info Session](#) took place on **7 December 2022**. The [video](#) recording and the [presentations](#) delivered are available.

Leaflet

A [leaflet](#) presents the key components of CB VET.

A **French** translation of the presentations from the above-mentioned Info Session, as well as the French version of the leaflet will be available soon. **Spanish** and **Portuguese** translations of the leaflet will also follow.

Programme Guide

More information on the action CB VET can be found in the Erasmus+ [Programme Guide](#) (pages 328 – 338 in the English version).

Eligibility criteria

Please, read carefully the *Eligibility criteria* (pages 333 – 335 of the Programme Guide). One of the **new eligibility criteria** is the following one: *“The consortium must include at least one VET provider at non-tertiary education level”*.

Who can be a coordinator? Any public or private organisation active in the VET field and legally established in an EU Member State or eligible third country associated to the Programme (*please see Part A of the Programme Guide*). **Organisations from third countries not associated to the Programme cannot be coordinators**. The coordinator applies on behalf of all participating organisations involved in the project.

How to find coordinators

Advices to potential CB VET partners from third countries not associated to the Erasmus+ Programme when searching for an applicant/coordinator (or a partner if a coordinator exists already):

1. If you already have contacts with VET providers in EU Member States or third countries associated to the Erasmus+ Programme, get in touch with them to check if they plan to apply under this action.
2. You could also contact European networks of VET Providers (e.g. EVTA, EVBB, EfVET, EUproVET) and networks that represent higher education institutions also active in the field of VET (e.g. EURASHE, EUCEN). See more details [here](#). These networks could help you identify potential partners in Europe. Please be precise in your request, for example linked to fields of cooperation, preferred country or language capacities.
3. In case for searching for an organisation active in lifelong guidance, counselling, learning mobility and career management you can contact the European network [Euroguidance](#).
4. Look at Erasmus+ VET-related projects supported over the last programming period (2014-2020) on the [Erasmus+ Project Results Platform](#). Please use the ‘advanced search’, selecting Erasmus+ Programme and within the different actions please focus on vocational education and training. You can see project descriptions and involved VET organisations (Excel list can be extracted), which you could contact.
5. Use the section “[Partner search announcements](#)” in the Funding & Tenders Opportunities Portal (FTOP).
6. You might post a research item/news for a possible applicant/partner via the [EPALE \(Electronic Platform for Adult Learning in Europe\)](#) platform and/or you could register to the [Community of European VET practitioners](#).
7. Look at [CEDEFOP studies and publications](#) to better understand the variety of VET structures/stakeholders in EU Member States.
8. The [Katapult Network](#) includes a network and matchmaking tool to build relationships with new partners. The direct link to the matchmaking tool is [here](#). [How does it work?](#)
9. If you are a member of the European Training Foundation (ETF) Open Space, you may look for partners [there](#). In particular, you may contact the [Network run by the European Training Foundation \(ETF\)](#) that includes numerous VET centres in Europe and ETF partner countries as well as the [ETF Quality Assurance Forum](#) that involves more than 20 countries. In this context, you may consult the ETF regions and countries and practice areas [pages](#).

For Western Balkans, Neighbourhood East, South-Mediterranean countries: contact your National Erasmus+ Office (see the list [here](#)), which may have received requests for cooperation from potential CB VET applicants.

Approved projects in the last call (deadline: 31 March 2022)

The 58 selected projects will be presented by the end of January in the [FTOP portal](#) (in the section *Funded project list*).