

Erasmus+ Programme

Capacity building in the field of Vocational Education and Training (CB VET)

How to find an applicant that can submit a $project^{1}$?

Advices to potential CB VET partners from third countries not associated to the Erasmus+ Programme² when searching for an applicant or partner:

- 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 <u>here</u>. 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 <u>Euroguidance</u>.
- 4. Look at Erasmus+ VET-related projects supported over the last programming period (2014-2020) on the <u>Erasmus+ Project Results Platform</u>. 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 "<u>Partner search announcements</u>" in the Funding & Tenders Opportunities Portal (FTOP).
- 6. You might post a research item/news for a possible applicant/partner via the <u>EPALE (Electronic</u> <u>Platform for Adult Learning in Europe) platform</u> and/or you could register to the <u>Community of European VET practitioners</u>.
- 7. Look at <u>CEDEFOP studies and publications</u> in order to better understand the variety of VET structures/stakeholders in EU Member States.
- 8. The <u>Katapult Network</u> includes a network and matchmaking tool to build relationships with new partners. The direct link to the matchmaking tool is <u>here</u>. <u>How does it work?</u>

¹ An application should be submitted by an organisation from an EU Member State (i.e. Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Germany, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden) or a third country associated to the Erasmus+ Programme (i.e. North Macedonia, Serbia, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Turkey).

² Third countries not associated to the Erasmus+ Programme from the following eligible regions (see <u>Programme Guide</u>): Western Balkans, Neighbourhood East (except Belarus), South-Mediterranean countries, Russian Federation, Sub-Saharan Africa, Latin America and Caribbean.

9. If you are a member of the European Training Foundation (ETF) Open Space, you may look for partners <u>there</u>. In particular, you may contact the <u>Network run by the European Training Foundation (ETF)</u> that includes numerous VET centers in Europe and ETF partner countries as well as the <u>ETF Quality Assurance forum</u> that involves more than 20 countries. In this context, you may consult the <u>ETF regions and countries</u> and <u>practice areas</u> pages.

+ For Western Balkans, Neighbourhood East, South-Mediterranean countries and Russian Federation: contact your National Erasmus+ Office (see the list <u>here</u>), which may have received requests for cooperation from potential CB VET applicants

Leaflet on CB VET (in English and French)

Video and presentations (in English and French) from the Online Info session on 08/12/2021 are here

Deadline for submission of applications is 31 March 2022 (5 pm, CET)

via the Funding & Tender Opportunities Portal (FTOP)

For more information on the action, please contact <u>EACEA-EPLUS-CBVET@ec.europa.eu</u>