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# Towards regionally-based occupational standards

## - TO REGOS

### Kick-off Conference

## Towards Regionally Based Standards of Occupations presentation of the project



WESTERN BALKANS  
ALLIANCE FOR  
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# Project ID

- Towards regionally-based occupational standards TO REGOS
  - **Funding:** Austrian Development Agency with funds of Austrian Development Cooperation
  - **Duration:** 14 March 2019 - 14 May 2021
  - **Lead partner:** Education Reform Initiative of South Eastern Europe Secretariat (ERI SEE)
  - **Local Project Partner:** Western Balkans Chambers 6 Investment Forum Secretariat (WB6 CIF)
  - **Implementing Partners:** VET agencies and chambers of commerce/trade (members of the WB CIF) from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo\*, The Republic of North Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia.
  - **Budget:**
    - ADA Contribution : **459000 EUR**
    - ERI SEE Co-founding: **104816 EUR**
    - Total : **563816 EUR**

# Project Goals

- Enhanced cooperation between **private** and **public sector** in **VET** at **regional** and **national** level
- **Common Regional Framework** for the development of regionally-based occupational standards
- **5 regionally-based occupational standards,**
- **Adoption** of regionally-based standards of occupations on national level
- **Transposing** adopted standards of **occupations** into standards of **qualifications** at national level
- Adoption, and **analysis** of the feasibility of developing regionally-based standards of qualifications and **action plan.**



# Impact

- Improve **socio-economic** conditions of young people
- Increase the **employability** of young people
- Increase the **relevance of skills and competences** acquired during the formal education



# Project partners

## ERI SEE Secretariat

Lead partner in charge of the overall coordination and implementation of the project

## Western Balkan 6 Chambers Investment Forum Secretariat (WB6 CIF)

Local Project Partner

## SEE VET Net – VET centres/agencies

## Chambers of Commerce

(Western Balkans Alliance for Work-based Learning WBA4WBL)

## KulturKontakt Austria and Austrian Chamber of Commerce

Advisory role



# Expected results and planned activities



# Expected results

**Output 1:** Increased **cooperation** between **business** and **education** sector in VET at regional and national level

**Output 2:** Developed **Common Regional Framework** for the development of regionally-based occupational standards

**Output 3:** **5 regionally-based** standards of occupations

**Output 4:** **Adoption** of regionally-based standards of occupations on national level

**Output 5:** **Transposing** adopted standards of occupations into standards of qualifications at national level

**Output 6:** **Feasibility study** on developing regionally-based standards of qualifications and action plan



# Output 1: Increased cooperation between business and education sector in VET at regional and national level

## Activities:

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- ✓ **Kick-off conference** for all relevant stakeholders
- ✓ **Project management meetings** of the Western Balkans Alliance for Work-based Learning
- ✓ Updating of the **WBA4WBL on-line portal** with the activities and results achieved within the project
- ✓ **Closing conference**

## Output 2: Developed Common Regional Framework for the development of regionally-based occupational standards

### Activities:

- ✓ **Workshop** for fine-tuning the Common Regional Framework
- ✓ Publication of the **Common Regional Framework**
  - ✓ Publishing the CRF by all project partners on their websites!

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# Output 3: 5 regionally-based standards of occupations

## Activities:

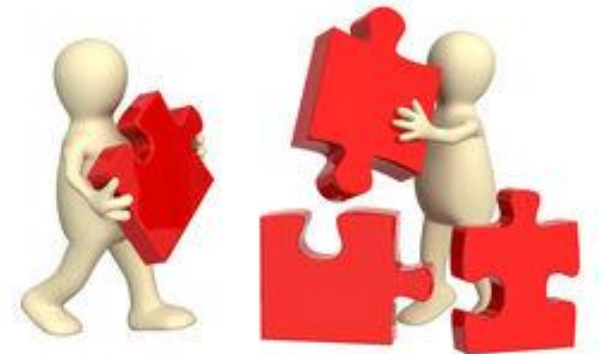
- ✓ **national events** per economy per occupation on the definition **of skills and competences** needed by the business sector (number depending on national circumstances)
- ✓ 1 **regional event** per occupation to **map the skills and competences** at regional level (creation of the regionally-based standard of occupations and regional basis of skills and competences)
- ✓ 1 **national event** per economy per occupation to **finalize the process** of regionally-based standards of occupations (80% regional basis and 20% national)

1. **Hotel and restaurant technician,**
2. **Dry construction worker,**
3. **Floor-layer,**
4. **Tile-setter and**
5. **Painter**

# Output 4: Adoption of regionally-based standards of occupations on national level

## Activities:

- ✓ 1 **national event** per economy per occupation with the relevant stakeholders for **verification** and **adoption** purposes
- ✓ **Publication** of /making decisions on the adoption of regionally-based standards occupations at official sites at national level (according to national procedures and processes described in Annex 5)



# Output 5: Transposing adopted standards of occupations into standards of qualifications at national level

## Activities:

- ✓ 2-3 **national events** per economy per occupation for the **translation** of adopted occupational standards into standards of qualifications (number depending on national contexts)
- ✓ **Publication** of standards of qualifications/decisions on adoption of standards of qualifications according to national procedures and processes de-scribed in Annex 5)

# Output 6: Feasibility study on developing regionally-based standards of qualifications and action plan

## Activities:

- ✓ Developing **Terms of Reference** for the feasibility study
- ✓ Developing the **recommendations/action** plan for the development of regionally-based standards of qualifications
- ✓ 1 **regional workshop** on the validation of the feasibility study, recommendations/action plan and including peer learning activities with the support of EU countries

# Expert support

- International expert on **environmental, gender, social** issues
- Expert on **methodology** for occupational standards - local and international
- Experts in **national** workshops - local experts **business** sector
- Experts in **regional** workshops - local experts **business** sector
- Experts in **national** workshops - local experts **education** sector
- Expert for the study on **feasibility of regional qualification standards**



# Questions





# Thank you!

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