



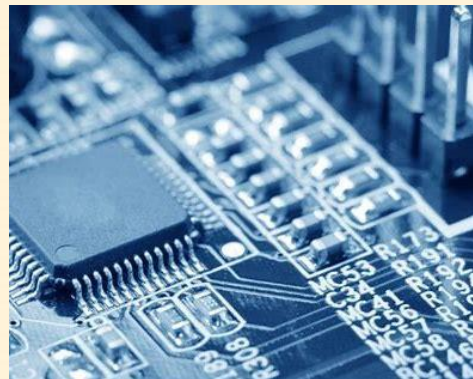
# WHY?

- Resilience
- EU Pillar of Social Rights
- **Green** transition
- **Digital** transition (but 42% people have insufficient level of skills)



- Strong skills policies (now only 2 out of 5 adults undertake learning)
- Shape the world of tomorrow:  
**VET is part of the solution!**

**2023 European Year of Skills**



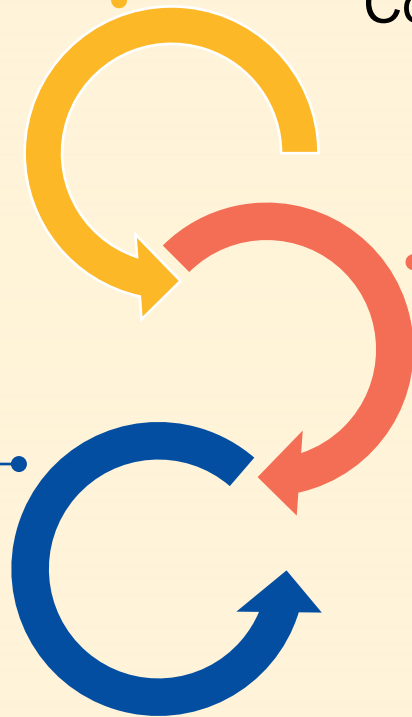
# The future of Vocational Education and Training (VET)

Council Recommendation (2020)

VET equips young people and adults with the skills to manage the green and digital transitions, and to **thriving in the evolving labour market**  
(Learning never stops!)

VET fosters **inclusiveness and equal opportunities** to ensure that no one is left behind

VET becomes a worldwide reference of **excellence**, with its variety of systems  
(**INTERNATIONALISATION**)



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# European Approach to Micro-credentials - Objectives

- Micro-credentials certify the learning outcomes following a small learning experience (flexible, targeted way to help people)
- Enable more people to acquire skills and competences they need to **thrive in a changing labour market and society**
- **Support the preparedness of providers** of micro-credentials (also VET providers) to empower people to forge personalised learning and career pathways
- **Foster inclusiveness and equal opportunities**



# Micro-credentials - Scope

- Micro-credentials are not new. The Council Recommendation establishes a **common European approach to the ongoing and emerging provision of micro-credentials**
- Scope covers micro-credentials, as well as their policies that can support their effective **design** and **use**.
- EU approach does not seek to replace or disrupt existing systems or qualifications





# Main features

## 'Building Blocks'



- Common Definition of micro-credentials
- Standard Elements
- Principles for the design and Issuance of micro-credentials

## Key areas for action



- Development of ecosystems for micro-credentials
- Deliver on the potential of micro-credentials
- Commission Support (**incl. FUNDING**)

## Focus



- Education, training and skills policies
- Active Labour Market Policies



we need to  
develop a culture  
of partnerships

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EU programme for education, training, youth and sport



# To enhance VET: internationalisation at provider's level

(Transnational cooperation and learning mobility)

- Improve teaching and learning
- Open up the organisation to the world
- Whole organisation approach
- Concerns all students! Not only the best performers!
- Increasing the capacity of organisations : building networks
- Join the virtual [VET Community of practitioners in EPALE](#)





# 2023 - Forward looking projects in Erasmus+

## 1. Digital education (for all sectors of education)

- Priority 1: Education technology (edTech): scaling up of EU-based solutions through cooperation and quality assurance
- Priority 2: Effective pedagogical approaches on informatics for primary and secondary level of education
- Priority 3: Teacher training and curriculum development in tackling disinformation and promoting digital literacy

## 2. Vocational Education and Training

- Priority 4 - Micro-credentials for employability
- Priority 5 - Improving the attractiveness of Vocational Education and Training through partnerships and networks of VET providers

## 3. Adult learning

- Priority 6: Development of national registries of quality-assured and labour market relevant training opportunities
- Priority 7: Supporting the Pact for Skills

*More info will be in the 2023  
programme guide*



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# Further information on VET

Brochure on VET <https://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=738&langId=en&pubId=8450&furtherPubs=yes>

[Council Recommendation on micro-credentials](#)

[Council Recommendation on Individual Learning Accounts](#)

Centres of Vocational Excellence

[Centres of Vocational Excellence - Employment, Social Affairs & Inclusion - European Commission \(europa.eu\)](#)

Erasmus+ [Annual Work programme](#) for 2023

EPALE Community of VET practitioners (Join a vibrant VET Community – in ENGLISH)

[Community of European VET practitioners | EPALE \(europa.eu\)](#)

Erasmus+ brochure on VET <https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/4f38e3b2-39b7-11ed-9c68-01aa75ed71a1/language-en/format-PDF/source-267647797>

OECD study : [Pathways to Professions: Understanding Higher Vocational and Professional Tertiary Education Systems | en | OECD](#)

