

## Bridging the gap between Education Sector and the Industry

### MAIN INFO

<b>SALTO E&amp;T link:</b>	<a href="https://salto-et.net/events/show/CY01_0681_TSS_2024">https://salto-et.net/events/show/CY01_0681_TSS_2024</a>		
<b>Sector:</b>	<b>VET</b> <b>HE</b>	<b>Priority:</b>	Other
<b>Scope:</b>	Transnational		
<b>Type of presence:</b>	Face-to-Face	<b>Venue country:</b>	Cyprus
<b>Venue city:</b>	Other	<b>Working language:</b>	English
<b>Key Action:</b>	Not applicable	<b>TCA documents:</b>	TCA 03-05 Dec Limassol draft agenda SALTO.pdf
<b>Postponed:</b>	No	<b>E+ Academy:</b>	No
<b>Start date:</b>	03.12.2024	<b>End date:</b>	05.12.2024
<b>Subtopic:</b>	<b>networking</b> <b>strategic partnership</b>		

### TCA DESCRIPTION

**Themes and goals:** This seminar aims to deal with bridging the gap between the Education Sector and the Industry. Objectives:

- To examine the role of higher education institutions (levels 5 and 6) in collaboration with VET education and the labor market to bridge the gap between the skills required by employers and those possessed by graduates.
- To facilitate the collaboration between VET providers, universities, and industry representatives, fostering partnerships and initiatives to enhance the alignment of skills with market needs.
- To explore the contribution of the Erasmus+ programme in supporting efforts to bridge the gap between educational outcomes and the rapidly evolving demands of the modern labor market.

The current landscape reveals a significant skill mismatch between the education sector and industry, where many graduates lack the specific competencies and practical experience demanded by employers. Rapid advancements in technology and changing industry needs have outpaced traditional educational curricula, leading to a gap between the skills taught in educational institutions and those required in the workforce. This disconnect has resulted in increased unemployment rates among graduates and challenges for employers in finding adequately skilled workers to fill specialized roles. Addressing this mismatch is crucial for economic growth and ensuring that education systems remain responsive to the evolving needs of the labor market. This Training Activity aims to explore the critical role of higher education institutions in collaborating with vocational education and training (VET) providers and the labor market to address the skills mismatch graduates face. Participants will have the opportunity to discuss effective partnerships between academia and industry, innovative approaches to curriculum design, and the importance of continuous feedback loops between educators and employers to create a workforce that is well-prepared for the challenges of the modern economy.

**Expected results:** Action plan from the representatives

**Additional information:** Arrival day: 03.12.2024  
Departure day: 05.12.2024  
The CY01 NA will cover accommodation for 2 nights, all meals during the activity and a cultural programme  
Venue city: TBC

## PARTNERS AND PARTICIPANTS

**Organiser NA:** CY01 - Foundation for the Management of European Lifelong Learning Programmes

**Number of participants:** 52

**Target group:** School leaders, directors | Professors | Experts | Other

**Erasmus+ Programme experience level:** Newcomers and Experienced beneficiaries

**Profile of participants:** Representatives of the relevant ministries, representatives from Higher Education, people working with students' placements, people working on the field of CV development support, VET providers, labor market representatives, HR officers, mentors.

**Participants per country:**

**Sending partner(s) - Booked places:**

AT01 - -	BE01 - 2	CY01 - 12	DE01 - 2	DE02 - 2	DK01 - 2	EE01 - 5
EL01 - 4	FI01 - 3	HR01 - 4	HU01 - 4	IE01 - 2	IS01 - -	LV01 - 4
PL01 - 4	SI01 - 1	PT01 - 2	SE01 - 4	AZ01 - 1		

**Pending Sending partner application(s) - Booked places:**

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**Accepted Sending partner(s) - Accepted places:**

AT01 - 1	BE01 - 2	CY01 - 12	DE01 - 2	DE02 - 2	DK01 - 2	EE01 - 3
EL01 - 4	FI01 - 3	HR01 - 4	HU01 - 3	IE01 - 2	IS01 - 2	LV01 - 3
PL01 - 4	SI01 - 1	PT01 - 2	SE01 - 3	AZ01 - 1		

**Pending booked places:** 0

**Accepted places:** 56

## TCA PARTICIPANT APPLICATION

**Start date of TCA Participant Application:** 17.09.2024

**Application deadline:** 17.10.2024

**Confirmation deadline for Sending NAs:** 28.10.2024

**Confirmation deadline for Organiser NAs:** 30.10.2024

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