

GREEN SKILLS IN VET

KICK-OFF CONFERENCE SGI Europe – online conference

Tuesday - 6 July 2021, 10.00 – 12.45

Working language: English

Interpretation available in FR, DE, ES

Background

SGI Europe and the European Federation of Education Employers (EFEE) are jointly carrying out the European project “Green Skills in VET”, aiming at supporting EU public services and SGIs, as well as vocational education and training (VET) providers to build a skilled workforce for materialising the green transition.

SGI Europe and EFEE are using their respective expertise as SGI providers and education providers for undertaking research into current and future skills and training needs of employers. The focus will be put on 3 key public services and SGIs to be affected by the development of the resource efficient and green economy: water, transport, and energy.

Through the themes covered, the project partners will consider the challenges and priorities set, both in the European Commission’s proposals for a European Green Deal, the European Commission Political Guidelines for 2019-2024 and the Communication on a Strong Social Europe for Just Transitions.

Objectives

This project aims to create lasting relationship between providers of education and training and of public services and SGIs. Such articulations will be indispensable for an efficient transition to climate neutrality, which will be the very core of EU action for the coming decades. The key angle for this project will therefore be to focus on education and training and the subsequent skills delivery to the labour market.

In 2 years of activity (2021-2023), the project will target six Member States: the Netherlands, Portugal, Belgium, France, Germany, and Spain. SGI Europe and EFEE will work with project partners from their membership for identifying the current and future demands for green skills and jobs, improving VET providers’ capacity to deliver green-oriented training and design common solutions for adapting skills delivery in the context of a framework of collaboration between education and public services’ providers.

The Kick-off Conference will focus on raising awareness regarding the green skills shortages within the services of general interest, and regarding VET providers development of teaching methods and staff competences to deliver green-oriented trainings. Findings of the project’s initial survey, capturing the green skills provision’ state of play in the water, energy, and transport sectors, will be presented during the conference.



AGENDA

Keynote speech - Nicolas Schmit, European Commissioner for Jobs and Social Rights, European Commission

10.00 – 10.30	Introduction Valeria Ronzitti, General Secretary, SGI Europe Daniel Wisniewski, General Secretary, EFEE
10.30 – 11.15	The green skills provision' state of play <i>Moderator – Ștefan Enică, Project and Policy Officer, SGI Europe</i> Speakers Dr. Emmanuele Massagli, Researcher Lumsa University Rome, Association for International and Comparative Studies in Labour and Industrial Relations (ADAPT) PhD. Margherita Roiatti, Research Fellow, Association for International and Comparative Studies in Labour and Industrial Relations (ADAPT) Jean-Michel Romann, Social Advisor, Union Française de l'électricité Frank van Hout, Executive Board Member, Friesland College
11.15 – 11.30	Coffee break with visualization of graphic recordings and fact sheet slide show
11.30 – 12.15	Reinforcing the institutional partnership <i>Moderator – Isaline Ossieur, Policy Officer, EFEE</i> Speakers Manuela Geleng, Director for Skills, DG Employment, Social Affairs & Inclusion, European Commission MEP (TBC)



	Mara Brugia, Deputy Director, CEDEFOP Ludovic Voet, Confederal Secretary, ETUC Spiros Protopsaltis, Vice-Chair, PES Network
12:15 – 12:30	Questions and answer session
12.30 – 12:45	Conclusions and steps ahead Valeria Ronzitti, General Secretary, SGI Europe Daniel Wisniewski, General Secretary, EFEE



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