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## **EnviroVET Project initiated**

The Erasmus+ project 'Promoting and Tracking Environmental Sustainability in Vocational Education and Training' (EnviroVET) launched at the beginning of this month. The project aims to increase the recognition of "greening" among European vocational education practitioners as well as the adoption of transferable green skills among vocational learners.

The EnviroVET is aligned with the European Commission's **fight against climate change** and **shift to a low-carbon economy**. The project will promote the advantages of and facilitate a pivot to environmentally sustainable approaches to vocational education and training.

The project will contribute to and support this shift by providing VET institutions, VET professionals, and VET learners with relevant knowledge, skills, attitudes, and values to develop a resource-efficient and **sustainable society**.

The project consortium involves seven partner organisations from seven European countries. The coordinator is CWEP, an NGO based in Rzeszow, Poland, Heves County Chamber of Commerce from Hungary, FyG Consultores from Spain, Mindshift from Portugal, Ecological Future Education from Latvia, Socialiniai Paramos Projektai from Lithuania and Cuiablue OÜ from Estonia.

The EnviroVET project aims to improve recognition of greening among vocational education practitioners, uptake, and adoption of transferable green skills among vocational learners, the adoption of sustainable governance practices among vocational training leaders and the implementation of sustainability best practices among European VET organisations.

The project will produce a Best Practice Toolkit, comprising a useful and relatable collection of best practices, case studies and success stories of existing VET sector greening practices at institutional level. An Environmental Charter which will set out the minimum requirements that VET institutions need to meet to consider themselves sufficiently sustainable. A highly

innovative, online, digital Environmental Impact Measurement Tool which will provide an evaluation method and tool which will evaluate the carbon footprint of a VET centre, based on the criteria set out in the Environmental Charter. Lastly, an e-course for VET practitioners to learn how to facilitate a green approach and the implications, benefits, and potential application areas in the VET sector.

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**About Erasmus+** 

Erasmus+ is the EU's programme to support education, training, youth and sport in Europe. It has an estimated budget of €26.2 billion. This is nearly double the funding compared to its predecessor programme (2014-2020). The 2021-2027 programme places a strong focus on social inclusion, the green and digital transitions, and promoting young people's participation in democratic life. It supports priorities and activities set out in the European Education Area, Digital Education Action Plan and the European Skills Agenda.

Further information from https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu