

PARTNER SEARCH

Call for Proposals - EACEA 40/2016

'KA3 – VET-business partnerships on work-based learning and apprenticeships'

General information about the proposal

Title of the project

To be defined

Lead Applicant & Consortium

- Chamber of Commerce of Terni - Lead Applicant

- Umbria Region
- University of Perugia
- ECIPA Umbria

Associated Partners:

- Confindiustria Umbria (Associations of Entrepreneurs);

- CNA Umbria (Associations of Entrepreneurs);
- (Unions of workers);

Budget information

Max budget: € 437.500,00 - Co-financing: 80%, max EU contribution: € 350 000 EUR.

Deadline

17/01/2017

Duration of the project

Max 24 months

Deadline for the submission of the candidature

22/12/2016

The project focuses on the following activities requested by the call:

MAIN ACTIVIY:

Set up and implementation of new cooperation structures on sustainable VET-business partnerships based on a skills needs assessment and possibly taking into account a sectoral dimension. The activities shall be linked to cross-border or inter-regional cooperation strategies, local or regional economic development strategies or macro-regional strategies. These should entail capacity building, knowledge transfer and exchange of experiences, or make existing engagement more systematic, targeted and sustainable for the improved qualitative and quantitative provision of apprenticeships and work-based learning;



Additional activities:

i) design and implement curricula, courses and modules, training material on work-based learning and apprenticeships according to skills needs and in line with the European transparency instruments (e.g. EQF, EQAVET, ECVET) and using digital and innovative technologies as appropriate;

ii) build effective cooperation structures between VET teachers and in-company trainers for the delivery of workbased learning and apprenticeships,

Type of Partners sought:

We are looking for Organizations

- Based in one of the EU member States;

- With an extensive experience in **facilitating dialogue between the world of VET providers and business**, **and other relevant regional actors of the process**, as far as regards WBL and apprenticeship;

- With a consolidated experience in the **delivery training to VET providers, in-company trainers, tutors, on how to improve their capacity to successful deliver tutoring in WBL and Apprenticeship**;

- Knowledge of EU best and good practices referred to the above domains.

<u>Please refer to Annex I for activities requested to be in charge of the Candidate Partner.</u>

Objectives of the project

Objective of the project is to contribute to bridge the gap between the worlds of education and business, improving the relevance of education and training to labour market needs through a concrete support to policy reform.

The project is strongly characterised by a **focus on the regional dimension** of problems and bottlenecks affecting the successful implementation of WBL and apprenticeship in **Umbria Region**. One or two partners from countries other than Italy will support the achievement of project goals, tentatively by:

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- **Transferring knowledge, good/best practices, and methodologies** in the field of training to VET providers and in-company trainers, as far as regards the fruitful implementation of WBL and apprenticeship;

- Benchmarking of the project results against EU good practices;

- Contributing to the distillation of **policy recommendations**.



Expected results:

- Establishment of formal partnership between VET (universities, VET centres, schools), enterprises (individual, clusters, business associations), and associations of workers, aimed at improving the effectiveness of WBL and apprenticeship.
- Design and delivery of training courses for in-company tutor, VET providers, entrepreneurs;
- Policy recommendations for improving the governance of the WBL and apprenticeships, addressing VET institutions, Companies in their associations; Competent public authorities;



<u>Annex I – Preliminary work plan</u>

Please note: the candidate partner will be in charge to perform the ticked (\checkmark) tasks. <u>Candidate partner might</u> propose to take part to contribute to further project tasks.

Work Package/Tasks	Main responsibility	Contributor
Wp1 - Preparation, set-up, and pilot running of the "WBL-Apprenticeship Partnership"	WP leader: CCIAA Terni	
Task 1.1 - Identification of the local stakeholders to be members of the "WBL&Apprenticeship Steering Committee" (VET institutions, Associations of Entrepreneurs, Associations of workers, Public Institutions);		
Task 1.2 - In depth needs analysis of bottleneck affecting the successful implementation of existing mechanisms in Umbria;		
Task 1.3 - Transnational Knowledge transfer (best/good practices) from other EU partners		
Task 1.4 - Informal preparatory meetings with stakeholders		
Task 1.5 - Set up and Launch of the "WBL&Apprenticeship Committee" (composition, objectives, governance,);		
Task 1.6 - Benchmarking of the Cooperation Structure against other experience in Europe	~	
Task 1.7 - Distillation of Policy Recommendations		✓
WP2 - Design and testing of the training course	WP leader: ECIPA Umbria	
Task 2.1 - In depth needs analysis concerning skills improvement of VET providers and trainers internal to companies;		
Task 2.2 - Transnational Knowledge transfer of Train-the-trainer good practices from other EU country		✓
Task 2.3 - Design of course and training material for in-company tutor, VET providers, entrepreneurs;	~	
Task 2.4 - Benchmarking of the training against other trainings at EU level		✓
Task 2.5 - Recruitment of pilot test bed of VET trainers and In-company trainers;		
Task 2.6 - Delivery of pilot training to VET providers and trainers internal to companies		
Task 2.7 - Monitoring the implementation of WBL and Apprenticeships run by the target group members attending the training (analysis of results)		
WP3 - Preparation, set-up, and pilot running of the "WBL-Apprenticeship Working Group"	WP leader: Univ. of Perugia	
Task 3.1 - Identification of the "WBL&Apprenticeship Working Group" members (VET trainers and in-company trainers)		
Task 3.2 -Set up and Launch of a pilot "WBL&Apprenticeship working-group"		
Task 3.3 -Meetings of the "WBL&Apprenticeship working-group";		
WP4 - Coordination and Management	WP leader: CCIAA Terni	
T4.1 Coordination and Management		✓
T4.2 Information and Communication		✓
T4.3 Quality assessment		✓
T4.4 Reporting		✓



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