



B-WISE

Skills for the future : WISEs ready!

The B-WISE project aims to develop a European strategy to address the skills needs, in particular regarding digital skills, in the **Work Integration Social Enterprises (WISEs)** sector.



WISEs?

Work Integration Social Enterprises are enterprises whose main objective is the social and professional integration of workers with support needs. They are at the core of the economic system and include a strong pedagogical dimension. Workers with support needs can be long-term unemployed, persons with disabilities, older persons, migrants, NEETS and other groups who are more at risk to be excluded from the labour market.

The **B-WISE project** targets the skills needs of workers with support needs, their supporters (such as their job coaches, trainers) and their managers. The project also promotes the attractiveness of the WISEs sector as a career choice and raises awareness on the importance of the use of digital technologies to support workers -who are more at risk to be excluded from the labour market- in work placement.

To reach this goal and prepare WISEs to face future challenges, the project implements the following actions:

- 1 Develop a report to provide an overview of the WISEs sector across Europe and identify the skills needs in the sector.



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- Design three training curricula to meet the skills gaps of workers in integration, their supporters and their managers.

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- Make those curricula a reality by testing them in 13 countries and validating them by certification authorities.



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- Develop a European Strategy to continue addressing the skills needs in the WISEs sector even after the end of the project.

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- Raise awareness to promote the WISEs sector as a career choice and on the importance of the use of digital technologies to support people who are more at risk to be excluded from the labour market in work placement.



The project is led by EASPD and ENSIE and gathers:

16 WISEs Sector Representatives

- EASPD (coordinator)
- ENSIE
- arbeit plus
- Lichtwerk
- Fundación ONCE
- RES - Réseau d'entreprises sociales
- NASOR – National Association of the Socially Responsible Employers
- ACT Group
- La fédération des entreprises d'insertion
- RISE Romania
- Ev Zin
- ŠENT
- Idee in Rete
- Social Entrepreneurship Association of Latvia
- De Omslag
- Stowarzyszenie Współpracy Regionalnej

13 VET Providers

- JKU-Johannes Kepler Universität Linz
- Fundación Coremsa
- Excellia
- Faculty of Law in Zagreb University
- AFPA
- ADV Fundatia Alaturi de Voi
- Margarita
- Cene Štupar
- AIAS Bologna onlus
- Samaritan Association of Latvia
- ROC van Amsterdam
- CERTES
- SCF - Scuola Centrale Formazione

1 European Research Institute

- EURICSE – European Research Institute on Cooperatives and Social Enterprises

The project advisory board gathers:

7 umbrella organisations

- AAATE
- CECOP
- EDF
- EFVET
- EPR
- FESE/EFSE
- RREUSE

1 international organisation

- ILO

8 representatives of national and regional authorities

- TUV Hellas
- Regional Labour Office of Katowice
- POM West-Vlaanderen
- Groep Maatwerk
- City of Zagreb
- CIE
- ANOFM
- Agency of employment Bulgaria

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