



WEntre

Women Empowerment through Entrepreneurship



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Current state of the project

The WEntre project aims at empowering women by developing their entrepreneurship skills through VET programs. It is making significant strides. Our journey so far has been marked by collaborative workshops, insightful research, and enthusiastic partnerships. Below, we share updates from the recent Transnational Partners Meeting and our second workshop.

2ND TRANSNATIONAL PARTNERS MEETING

We are excited to share highlights from the recent WEntre Consortium meeting, held in Uppsala, Sweden, from November 11th to 13th, 2024. Hosted by Folkuniversitetet, this gathering was a fantastic opportunity for our partners to assess the project's progress and set our sights on future goals. Meeting Highlights:

- **Project Updates:** The meeting kicked off with a comprehensive update on the current state of our project and an evaluation of the quality of the work completed to date.
- **Research Findings:** Partners shared valuable research findings from Egypt's national reports, shedding light on significant challenges faced by women entrepreneurs.
- **Competence Framework Development:** this framework incorporates 12 core competencies for women entrepreneurs, along with 5 additional competencies tailored for trainers. The aim is to foster entrepreneurial skills while addressing specific regional challenges.
- **Curriculum and E-Learning:** We explored innovative templates and structures for a blended learning curriculum and user-friendly e-learning platforms. Our focus remains on ensuring that these materials effectively meet the needs of women entrepreneurs, particularly in Egypt.

As we move forward, we encourage all stakeholders to stay engaged and share your thoughts on these developments. Your feedback is invaluable as we continue to empower women entrepreneurs through this project!



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2nd workshop

The second workshop, held from November 13th to 15th, 2024, was pivotal in shaping the WEntre Competence Framework. Participants reviewed the EntreComp and ERF frameworks, adapting them to include essential competencies like *creativity, financial literacy, digital literacy, and planning and management*. Breakout sessions provided a collaborative environment to address barriers faced by women entrepreneurs, such as market access, family responsibilities, and the lack of targeted training programs.

These discussions informed the development of practical learning modules and accessible resources. The workshop also finalized templates for blended learning materials, emphasizing interactivity and self-assessment tools to enhance learning outcomes. By the end of the workshop, the team created a visual matrix to track progress and ensure the integration of competencies.

Next Steps



Exciting developments are on the horizon! RINOVA is set to deliver the first draft of the Competence Framework by January 30th, 2025. Following this, we will hold a workshop in Cairo, Egypt, in May 2025 to refine our educational materials and implement the finalized framework. Stay tuned as we embark on the next phase: developing the WEntre Blended Learning Programme, which is part of our third work package led by RINOVA. Your continued engagement and feedback are crucial as we move forward!



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