

# »» NEWSLETTER ««



Aligning HE and VET instruments

## THE PROJECT

### THE PROJECT'S AIM



### IMPROVE QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

The project aims to adapt Higher Education Institutions (HEI) and Vocational Education and Training (VET) Providers to the labour market requirements by improving the functioning of teaching quality management systems at the national and international levels.

### HE AND VET INSTITUTIONS

- HEIs and VET Providers
- National Associations of HEIs and VET Providers
- National HE and VET Authorities
- National Quality Assurance Reference Points and Agencies for Quality Assurance in Higher Education



### THE PROJECT'S TARGET GROUP

## THE CONSORTIUM





## »»» TRANSNATIONAL PROJECT MEETINGS

**The kick-off meeting** took place on July 14-15, 2022, in Larissa, Greece. It was a brilliant opportunity to meet the partners. During the fruitful sessions, all cooperating organizations demonstrated total commitment to the ideas of the project and shared their unique expertise relevant to it.

**The second TPM** was held on February 16-17, 2023, in Upsala, Sweden at Folkuniversitet. The current state of the project, as well as progress in PR1, were discussed. During a brief discussion, partners' representatives briefly characterized the results of the desk research on the quality assurance schemes in HEIs and VETs in their countries. Moreover, the partners briefly presented the course and main conclusions of the online focus groups conducted with representatives of the HEIs and VET providers in their countries. The meeting was very successful and ended with an assignment of the next steps, tasks and activities.

## WHAT WE HAVE DONE UNTIL NOW <<<

- An overview of ESG and EQAVET frameworks at a European level
- Desk research on characteristics of the different national quality assurance schemes for both HEIs and VETs
- Analysis of the differences, similarities, strengths and weaknesses of ESG and EQAVET frameworks and their implementation in the partner countries
- Focus groups with representatives of HEIs and VETs on the implementation of ESG and EQAVET in their organizations
- National reports, the European report as well as a comparative study on ESG and EQAVET frameworks



## »»» WHAT WE WILL DO IN THE FUTURE

- We will examine the possible implementation of good practices of the ESG methodology in the EQAVET methodology and vice versa
- We will provide recommendations for moving to an aligned quality assurance system and the creation of a self-assessment tool methodology for quality assurance practitioners in both education fields.
- We will develop a Quick scan tool for VET Providers and HEIs to support them in enhancing their institution-wide commitment, policy and action plan on continuous improvement