



# Newsletter



## VET4WB project says farewell

After about three and a half years full of activities, the project period for “VET for Western Balkans” has ended by 31st May 2024! It does not mean, however, that the activities have stopped:

The project partners are not only making use of the new knowledge and competences they have gained in their daily work, they have already applied for new projects to ensure the sustainability of the “VET for Western Balkans” results and to expand the focus areas to work in. So far, three applications submitted by the Western Balkan partners have received a grant, supplying the applying school with new equipment, contract-based cooperation with local companies about internship for students and training of teachers



Another new field to work in is improving the capacity of VET schools to support students with disabilities and make it possible for them to get a VET education. Also, the environmental aspect is part of some of the applications, which the partners have submitted.



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Another important initiative is the establishment of an NGO with the same name as the project and with all six Western Balkan project partners as members. The whole idea of the NGO is to continue the fruitful trans-Balkan cooperation with the aim to strengthen the VET education system across all Western Balkan countries. The NGO will also continuously update the website, develop the learning platform further and offer consultancy in relation to project writing and project management.



And due to all the experiences and the good results from the mobilities, from the trainings, from the developed learning platform, from the extended networks with local companies and with ministries and other local and national authorities, all these initiatives stand on a solid ground. Furthermore, during the last four months, big national conferences and campaigns for VET in each Western Balkan partners country have been carried out. This has disseminated the knowledge about the project and raised the awareness of the importance of VET in all four countries.



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### National Conferences

The national conferences – in total nine – were attended by relevant and influential representatives from ministries, business life, local authorities, parents’ organisation and educational institutions, and all conferences were mentioned in national and local tv and other media in all four countries.



### Campaigns

The campaigns contained traditional as well as very innovative initiatives: posters and billboards, TV spots and TV programs, production of t-shirts with project logo, zeppelin with VET slogan, opera and theater performances, open-air fairs, articles in magazines, development of a documentary about the project, Open days, Girls’ day etc., etc.



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