



Staff and learner exchange in vocational education and training

A new scheme linking the EU with Africa

The European Commission is launching an exciting new initiative that will enable vocational education and training (VET) colleges in the EU to set up learner and staff exchange programmes with colleges in Africa.

Besides learner and staff mobility between colleges, these mobility partnerships will also share good practice in their countries and regions, and create networks and partnerships for exchange.

The results?

- Exchange of ideas and techniques between regions
- Improved knowledge, technical and pedagogical skills of VET teachers
- Improved transversal and subject specific skills of learners
- Curriculum and training reform in colleges
- Improved VET management and training quality

Who can take part?

Eligible organisations can be a public or private VET provider, consortium or a company involved in VET. They must be based in an EU Member State or one of the eligible partner countries.

There can also be an advisory role for other players such as NGOs, local authorities, SMEs, etc.

Who can apply?

The applicant must be an eligible organisation registered in an EU Member State.

How does it work?

The proposal must include in total at least 13 organisations: minimum three organisations from three different EU Member States and 10 organisations from 10 different African countries targeted by this action and covering the 5 regions of Africa.

Projects must focus on three priority fields of study: **(a)** Engineering, manufacturing and construction; **(b)** Agriculture, Forestry, Fisheries and Veterinary; **(c)** Services: Hotel, restaurants and catering and/or travel, tourism and leisure.

Targeted African countries

North: Mauritania, Tunisia.

West: Benin, Burkina Faso, Cabo Verde, Côte d'Ivoire, Liberia, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone.

Central: Cameroon, Chad, Gabon.

East: Comoros, Djibouti, Eritrea, Kenya, Somalia, Sudan.

South: Angola, Malawi, Namibia and South Africa.

When

The deadline for the Call for Proposals is 14 May 2019 (12:00 Brussels time).

More details

https://ec.europa.eu/education/resources-and-tools/funding-opportunities/vet-mobility-pilot-2019_en