AGENDA

TITLE: Changing the skills needs in Albania

RECENT FINDINGS FROM THE EUROPEAN SKILLS AND JOBS SURVEY

VENUE
5 October 2023, 10:00 – 12:00 (CEST), Zoom

SUMMARY:

The objective of this event is to present key findings for Albania gathered through the European skills and jobs survey¹ and discuss main takeaways for policy actions, or new opportunities to expand skills research as well as capacity building in skills intelligence. The findings and analysis are central to ETF’s skills and labour market work in its partner countries, aiming at strengthening skills intelligence and support the twin – digital and green – transitions and consolidation of lifelong learning and employment policies.

This Cedefop periodic survey collects information on the job-skill requirements, digitalisation, skills and qualification mismatches and workplace learning of nationally representative samples of adult workers in wage and salary employment. It aims at informing the policy debate on the impact of digitalisation on the future of work and skills also in the aftermath of COVID-19 pandemic. The survey collects information in the European Union member states, Norway, and Iceland. Cedefop has joined forces with ETF which conducted the survey in six partner countries (ie Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo², North Macedonia, Serbia, and Israel). The survey aspires to become a key tool for evidence-based policymaking in education and training, particularly reskilling and upskilling programmes. Its design incorporates the growth, sustainability, and resilience ambitions of the European Pillar of Social Rights, EU Skills Agenda, European, Digital Strategy, acknowledging the importance of digital skills also put forward in the 2020 Council Recommendation on VET and the Osnabrück Declaration.

The working languages of the event are Albanian and English.

¹ More information on the survey is available here.
² This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.
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| 10:00 - 10:10| Host – Romain Boitard  
Welcome and introduction  
_Xavier Matheu de Cortada - Head of Knowledge Hub Department (ETF)_  
_Andrea Ferrero, Head of Section, EU Delegation in Albania_  |
| 10:10 - 10:55| Changing the skills needs. First findings from the European skills and jobs survey in Albania  
_Presenter: Mircea Badescu, Human Capital Development Statistician (ETF)_  
_Q&A_  |
| 10:55 - 11:50| European Skills and Jobs survey – implications for policy actions and research  
Panel discussion  
_Contributors:  
Linda Bushati, Education Specialist (UNICEF)  
Michael Johnson, IPA programme team leader  
Ana Zacharian, Albanian Skills-National Association for Skills Competitions_  
_Facilitator: Cristina Mereuta, Senior Human Capital Development Expert - Coordinator for Active Labour Market Policies (ETF)_  |
| 11:50 - 12:00| Closure  
_Romain Boitard, Country Liaison for Albania (ETF)_  |