

Enhancing labour mobility for EU enlargement economies: the role of ESCO

24 and 25 June 2025

Turin, Italy

Introduction

The European Training Foundation (ETF) and the Regional Cooperation Council's (RCC) Employment and Social Affairs Platform Project 3 (ESAP 3) are organizing a two-day capacity building event dedicated to the enlargement economies to explore the use of the European Classification of Skills, Competences, Qualifications and Occupations ([ESCO](#)).

The event is placed within the context of labour and skills mobility and EU accession efforts in the area of free movement of workers, notably in relation to EU tools such as EURES and Europass, as well as recent policy priorities set out in the [Union of skills - European Commission](#).

The event aims to showcase different use cases of ESCO on job-matching, labour market analysis and education and training topics. It is designed to be participatory, facilitating the sharing of experiences among stakeholders and fostering engaging discussions about the requirements for using ESCO in the participating countries.

Next to the on-site event in Turin, the ETF and RCC will organise a series of webinars on ESCO to provide an overview of its development and collect specific questions, needs and future priorities of the participating countries.

Participants

Representatives of the ministries of labour and education, Public Employment Services as well as agencies in charge with qualifications/skills development are expected to attend the event.

Working languages

The on-site event as well as the introductory webinars will be held in English with interpretation available in the languages of participating countries.

TUESDAY, 24 JUNE 2025

08.30 - 09.00	Registration
09.00 - 09.30	Official opening and scene setting • Dr Pilvi Torsti, Director, ETF • Laura Corrado, Head of Unit, DG EMPL, European Commission (online) • Ratka Babic, Team Leader, Employment and Social Affairs Platform, RCC
09.30 - 10.00	Main provisions of the <i>acquis communautaire</i> and impact on employment and education policies regarding labour and skills mobility • Cristina Mereuta, Head of Unit ad interim, ETF • Laura Veza-Visan, Human Capital Development expert, ETF
10.00 - 10.45	Introduction to EURES: governance, benefits and opportunities • Balazs Lengyel, Head of sector EURES, European Labour Authority • Q&A
10.45 - 11.15	Break
11.15 - 12.30	Use of ESCO in EURES and Europass for labour mobility • Short overview of ESCO: Francesco Losappio, Policy Officer, DG EMPL (online) • ESCO in EURES & Europass: Christelle Guyot, IT manager, DG EMPL (online) • Q&A
12.30 - 13.30	Group photo and lunch break
13.30 - 15.15	Workshop on mapping national classifications to ESCO or adopting ESCO for EURES data exchange • Introduction to the mapping exercise & state of play of EURES countries, Francesco Losappio & Clarissa Vieira, ESCO Secretariat (online) • Group discussions
15.15 - 15.30	Break
15.30 - 16.45	Workshop on Translating ESCO • Introduction to the necessary steps, Valentina Grganovic, ESCO Secretariat • Group discussions
16.45 - 17.00	Wrapping up of the day

WEDNESDAY, 25 JUNE 2024

09.00 - 09.15	Welcome and agenda of the day
09.15 - 10.30	Use of ESCO in Public employment services at national level • Use of ESCO in Greek Public Employment Service: Ioanna Alexiou & Vasilis Kallistros, Directorate of Matching Services and Counselling, Greek PES • Q&A & reflections
10.30 - 11.00	Break
11.00 - 12.30	Linking Skills and Qualifications • Skills portability initiative and the importance of linking qualifications to ESCO skills: Francesco Losappio, Policy Officer, DG EMPL (online) • ETF Network of national qualifications databases: Anatolii Garmash, Senior Specialist in Qualifications, ETF & testimonial from Ukraine, • Q&A & reflections
12.30 - 13.30	Lunch break
13.30 – 14.45	ESCO for labour market data analysis • Big Data for labour market intelligence in ETF Partner Countries: Laura Veza-Visan, Human capital development expert, ETF • Regional skills intelligence observatory in Italy, Gabriele Marzano, Emilia Romagna region (online) • Q&A & reflections
14.45 – 15.00	Break
15.00 – 16.15	Country reflections: preparation for ESCO • Country groups reflections • Plenary debrief and next steps
16.15 – 16.30	Closing remarks • Cristina Mereuta, ETF • Ratka Babic, RCC