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| Peer Learning Event on Strengthening the Evidence Base for Skills Development in Central Asia |
| Online event  DATE 18th and 25th March 2025  Time 10:00 CET  *Time 15:00 (Bishkek)*  *Time 14:00 (Astana, Dushanbe, Tashkent, Ashgabat)* |

# DARYA – Module 1 - Regional Peer Learning Event Agenda

This peer learning event aims to provide a platform for stakeholders across Central Asia to share knowledge, best practices, and insights. The event focuses on exchanging information related to tools and practices for collecting labour and skills demand-side data. By building capacity in the use of these tools, the event seeks to support the development of more relevant and market-aligned VET programs and qualifications. These improvements are expected to contribute to more labour market-oriented VET outcomes across the region.

The *first meeting on 18th March* focuses on sharing practices and key learnings on *establishment surveys*. It also aims to explore new strategies for analysing labour market demand and workforce trends. The *second meeting on 25th March* provides a platform for stakeholders across Central Asia to share knowledge, best practices, and insights on the Tracer Study Tool. It focuses on improving existing methodologies and inspiring the design of new approaches to track graduates' employment outcomes.

The target audience for this meeting includes members of the country working groups in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Uzbekistan who are actively involved in Module 1 of the DARYA project, as well as other interested parties. Participation is open to all individuals and researchers interested in fostering collaborative dialogue and sharing valuable perspectives.

**18th March 2025 - Focus on Skills Anticipation through establishment-based data**

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| Time period | Agenda point |
| 10:00 – 10.10 | **Opening session: Welcome and introduction** |
| 10:10 – 10:25 | **The Role of Evidence-Based Decision Making in Skills Development**  *Ina Pietschmann, Labour Market expert, DARYA project* |
| 10:25 – 11:25 | **Country Insights and Lessons Learned: Skills Anticipation through establishment-based data**  *Objective: The session aims to present the implementation of establishment-based tools in Kyrgyzstan & Kazakhstan highlighting key successes, challenges, and country-specific insights. The session will explore lessons learned in demand side data collection, response rates, and data security, while identifying future strategies to enhance enterprise/employer engagement in skills anticipation processes.*  **Kyrgyzstan – Country Insights**  ***Q&A discussion***  **---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**  **Kazakhstan – Country insights**  ***Q&A discussion***  **---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**  **Tajikistan – Country insights**  ***Q&A discussion*** |
| 11:25– 11:55 | **Future-focused demand-side data tools: emerging trends and innovations**  *Ummuhan Bardak, Senior Labour Market expert, ETF* |
| 11:50– 12:00 | **Wrap- up & Closure** |

**25th March 2025 - Focus on Implementing Tracer Studies**

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| Time period | Agenda point |
| 10:00 – 10:10 | **Opening session: Welcome and introduction** |
| 10:10 – 10:20 | **The Value of Graduate Tracking for Skills Development**  *Ina Pietschmann, Labour Market expert, DARYA project* |
| 10:20 – 11:40 | **Country Insights and Lessons Learned: Implementing Tracer Studies**  *Objective: This session shares country-specific experiences in implementing tracer studies, emphasizing successes, challenges, and innovative practices.*  **Uzbekistan – Country Insights**  **Q&A discussion**  **---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**  **Kyrgyzstan – Country Insights**  **Q&A discussion**  **---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**  **Kazakhstan – Country insights**  **Q&A discussion**  **---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**  **Tajikistan – Country insights**  **Q&A discussion** |
| 11:40– 12.00 | **EU Approaches to Graduate Tracking**  (tbc) |
| 12.05 – 12:10 | **Wrap- up & Closure** |