

PROMOTING PARTNERSHIPS FOR EFFECTIVE WORK-BASED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES IN VET

September 2019 – April 2021
Syunik, Lori marzes of Armenia



ABOUT THE "STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY" (SDA) NGO



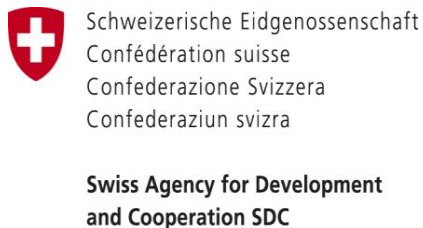
Target sectors: milk and meat value chains, vocational education and training, SME development

Geographic coverage: 200 communities of Syunik, Vayots Dzor, Shirak, Lori, Tavush and Gegharkunik marzes of Armenia

Financial Support: Austrian Development and Cooperation Unit Austrian Development Agency, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), HEKS/EPER Swiss Aid, European Union

Partners:

- ✓ RA Ministry of Economy, RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Infrastructure, RA Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport
- ✓ Regional administrations of Syunik, Vayots Dzor, Shirak, Lori, Tavush and Gegharkunik marzes
- ✓ Local self-government bodies
- ✓ VET institutions



PROJECT OBJECTIVE

Contribute to sustainable and inclusive socio-economic development through establishment of VET-business partnerships to promote development of **Work-Based Learning (WBL)** and enhancing the quality of VET in Syunik and Lori marzes of Armenia



PROJECT PARTNERS

RA Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport (MoESCS)

RA Ministry of Economy

European Training Foundation (ETF)

VET institutions

Employers



IMPLEMENTED



Goris State Agricultural College, Syunik marz
and
Stepanavan State Agricultural College, Lori marz

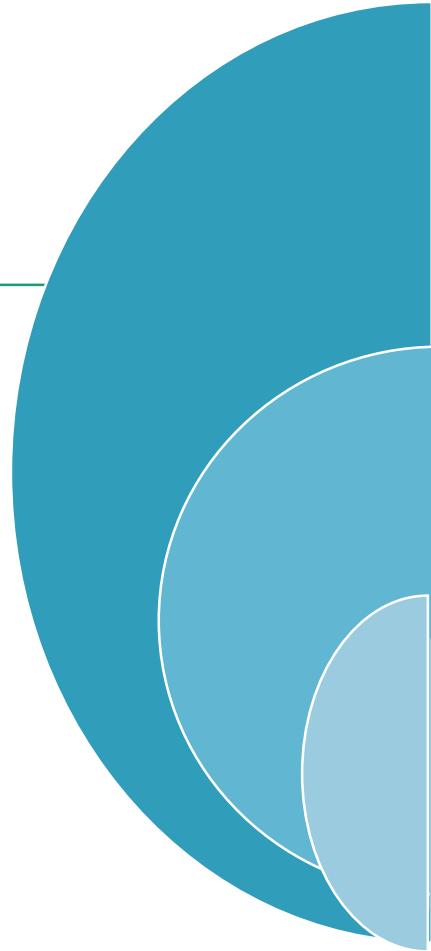
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**SECTOR
PROBLEMS**



Limited access to market-oriented vocational education and training opportunities

Lack of qualified workforce

Need to strengthen the VET-BUSINESS partnership



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PROJECT OBJECTIVES

Developed capacities of VET providers and employers in Syunik and Lori marzes to establish effective partnership, design and pilot the WBL element in VET for two agricultural professions: Veterinarian and Milk and Dairy Technologist.

Short-term courses in the field of Cheese and Dairy production technology with a strong work-based learning element designed, piloted and provided to youth and adults in target marzes.

Accepted pilot model of WBL for further replication in other VET institutions and regions of RA by MoESCS.



PROJECT ACTIVITIES

Revise the curricula of Veterinarian and Milk and Dairy Technologist professions

Establish necessary facilities in marz-based Host Companies

Provide capacity building of VET teachers and Host Company trainers



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PROJECT ACTIVITIES

Develop and pilot short-term courses in cheese and dairy production, based on WBL model

Promote partnership between VET colleges and Host Companies

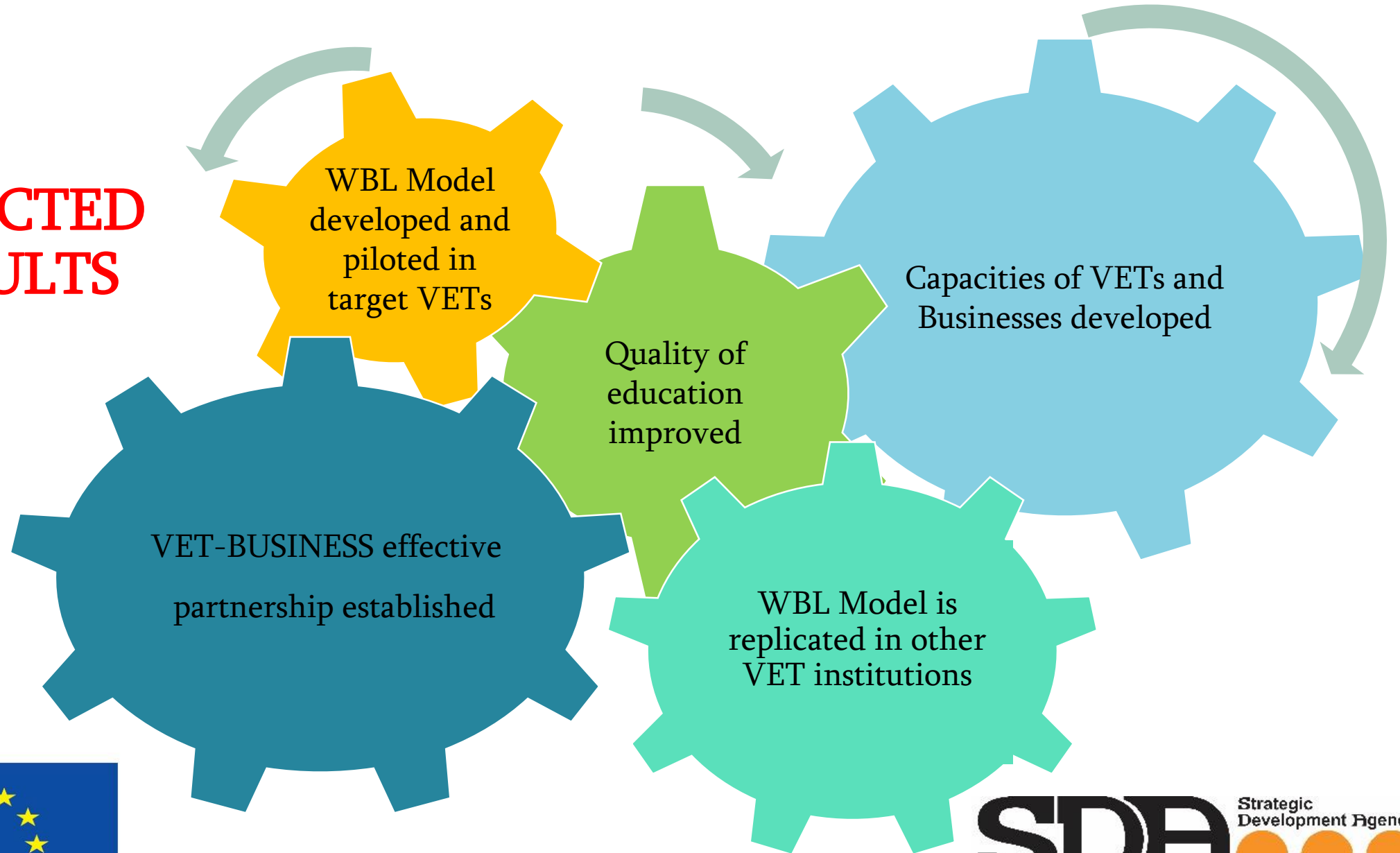
Organize promotional campaigns to advocate for the endorsement of the innovative WBL Model in other VET institutions



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EXPECTED RESULTS



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