

## Pilot workshop on VET and Adult Learning for Smart Specialisation

20 September 2018

Venue: Rue Philippe Le Bon 3, 1000 Brussels, room 3.45.

# Innovation HumanCapital Smart

Specialisation
AdultLearningEducation
TrainingVocational
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Cohesion

#### Why?

Smart Specialisation aims to foster knowledge based development. Knowledge is held by many, not just top scientists

Smart Specialisation is about applying knowledge. This requires a range of different skills across the workplace.

Smart Specialisation Strategies (S3) do not pay enough attention to skills. This is a major bottleneck to innovation

Smart Specialisation is a key part of the EU's Cohesion Policy. The European Commission has recently proposed to introduce a major new skills element to this policy area

### **Workshop Objectives**

Assess the landscape: Who is doing what and where?

Share experiences: You are not alone!

Understand how skills can be integrated into S3 policy mixes

Establish how the European Commission can help regions to align their policies for skills and innovation

Co-create new policy intelligence

Build a network



### **AGENDA**



09:00 - 09:30 | Opening words

Dana-Carmen Bachmann, Head of Unit at DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

Fernando Hervas, Deputy Head of Unit at the EU's Joint Research Centre

**EARLALL Presidency** 





12:30 - 13:30 | Lunchtime





13:30 - 14:30 | Storytelling 2

Rikardo Lamadrid, Director, Basque Government

Jon Labaka & Miren Canellada, TKNIKA (Basque Centre of Research and Applied Innovation in VET)

Unai Ziarsolo, Integrated VET Centre "Miguel Altuna" - Bergara







09:30 - 11:00 | Fitting things together

Ellen Hazelkorn, Skills expert @ BH Associates Mikel Navarro, S3 expert @ Orkestra John Edwards from the JRC Plenty of discussion



Andrea Lagundzija, Region of Västra Götaland Hans Larsson, Business Region Göteborg AB Ewa Ekman, CEO Gothenburg Technical College Fredrik Zeybrant, Göteborg Association of Local **Authorities** 



11:00 & 15:30 | Coffee (or Tea)



#### 14:30 - 15:30 | Storytelling 3

Giedrė Beleckienė, MOSTA Andrius Pleckaitis, INFOBALT Evaldas Žvinklys (VET provider)





16:45 - 17:00 | Au revoir

Closing words from the European Commission and the EARLALL





#### 16:00 - 16:45 | EU Policy Implications

Introduction to VET Centres of Excellence by João Santos, Deputy Head of Unit at DG Employment

Inspiration from the iWATERMAP Interreg project

Feedback from participants