

NEWSLETTER

BRIDGES: Strengthening the connection between education, skills and employment

BRIDGES works to strengthen Vocational Education and Training (VET) systems and improve the link between education and the tourism labour market.



KEY ACHIEVEMENTS



Analysis of tourism skills needs and dual training systems



Development of innovative Pre-Apprenticeship Programmes (PaP)



Establishment of Factory Learning Labs as simulated companies



Capacity building for teachers and trainers



Piloting and improvement of training approaches



Strengthening cooperation between education and industry



Building stronger bridges between education, skills and the future of work.



International cooperation Europe – Latin America



Innovative learning for future professionals



Better skills for more and better jobs in tourism



Stronger links between education and industry

The BRIDGES project continues its mission to strengthen Vocational Education and Training (VET) systems in the tourism sector by analysing existing training pathways, understanding labour-market needs and identifying the competences required by future tourism professionals.

Through cooperation between European and Latin American partners, the project is exploring how education systems can better respond to the evolving expectations of the tourism industry and support the development of more relevant and employment-oriented learning opportunities.

The results of this phase will provide the foundation for the creation of innovative Pre-Apprenticeship Programmes (PaP), connecting education providers with industry needs.

BRIDGES – FROM ANALYSIS TO IMPACT

Strengthening VET systems in tourism through evidence, collaboration and innovation

1 MAPPING TOURISM TRAINING SYSTEMS ACROSS COUNTRIES

BRIDGES partners are analysing existing tourism-related training systems across Europe and Latin America to better understand different approaches to vocational education.



The mapping activities focus on:



Through this comparative analysis, the project identifies valuable practices and areas where improvements can support stronger connections between education and employment.

2 LISTENING TO THE TOURISM INDUSTRY

A central element of the BRIDGES approach is the active involvement of tourism stakeholders.

Through interviews, consultations and exchanges with businesses and sector representatives, partners are collecting valuable insights about:



This collaboration ensures that future training solutions are based on real sector needs and provide meaningful opportunities for learners.

3 BUILDING THE FOUNDATIONS FOR FUTURE TRAINING PATHWAYS

The knowledge gathered through WP2 will support the next stages of the BRIDGES project, particularly the design of the **Pre-Apprenticeship Programme (PaP)**.

By transforming labour-market insights into structured learning approaches, BRIDGES aims to create stronger pathways between:



The project continues working towards more **responsive, inclusive and future-oriented VET systems** for the tourism sector.

4 BRIDGES PARTNERSHIP

The BRIDGES consortium brings together organisations from Europe and Latin America, combining expertise in:



Together, partners are building international cooperation to support the future workforce of the tourism sector.



UNDERSTANDING TODAY'S SKILLS NEEDS IS THE FIRST STEP TOWARDS DEVELOPING TOMORROW'S TRAINING SOLUTIONS.



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