

# Pathways to Enhanced Assessment and Recognition for those achieving Learning within and beyond national borders (PEARL)

Building on past successes, the Erasmus+ National Agency in the UK is hosting an Erasmus+ Transnational Cooperation Activity taking the form of a **Peer Learning Event** which will be held over 2 days (4-5 July 2017) in Birmingham, UK. A draft programme of activities is enclosed.

Past peer learning activity (ECVET Today and Tomorrow, 2015), involving partners from Bulgaria, Iceland, Ireland, Malta, Slovenia and Scotland, led to increased understanding of different national assessment and recognition practices, confirming individual and shared perspectives and highlighting areas worthy of additional discussion and debate.

In this important follow-up event, high-level practitioners and experts, from across Europe, are invited to discuss how European transparency and recognition tools - specifically those aimed at facilitating **assessment and recognition in VET and mobility** - for example: ECVET, EQAVET and Europass - can be best employed in the future, taking into account recent European policy developments, national perspectives, operational successes and potential barriers to the continuing and wider use of all such tools and instruments.

As a result of this event, a common accord and call for action will be delivered, with a view to facilitating continued development and improvement in VET mobility policies and practices, further informing the direction of future European developments or initiatives centred on learning recognition.

The working language of this peer learning event will be English.

Erasmus+ National Agencies are invited to propose up to 3 participants that are able to bring forth, and share, the required insights and understanding of policy, practice, ambitions for learning recognition in VET and national or European tools able to support those ambitions.

Participants are required to apply to their Erasmus+ National Agency. Accommodation and conference fees will be covered by the UK National Agency. Travel costs are to be covered by sending National Agencies.

In the first instance, Erasmus+ National Agencies are requested to send details of their proposed participants (name, organisation and country). In addition to a short biography regarding each proposed participant including details on how the participants professional profile and personal experience is relevant to the activity topics. Proposed participant details should be sent to [ecvetexperts@ecorys.com](mailto:ecvetexperts@ecorys.com) by 5 April 2017 so a final list of participants can be confirmed.

It is important that proposed participants **do not** book travel until final confirmation has been received from the UK Erasmus+ National Agency.



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