



HEInnovate webinar 2021 series

**HEInnovate for Social Innovation – Fostering Social Inclusion
in Higher Education through Knowledge Exchange**

“Social innovation refers to the design and implementation of new solutions that imply conceptual, process, product, or organizational change, which ultimately aim to improve the welfare and wellbeing of individuals and communities.”



**Education and social innovation have
always walked hand in hand**



Centres of Vocational Excellence (CoVEs) bring together a wide range of local partners, such as providers of vocational education and training, employers, research centres, development agencies, and employment services (among others), to develop "skills ecosystems" that contribute to regional, economic and social development, innovation, and smart specialisation strategies.



- Become a “think tank”, opinion leader, a point of reference for VET in a specific field.
- Aggregate members’ expertise in a specific field.
- Promote innovation and business opportunities among members.



The Project

Duration: Nov. 2020 - Oct. 2022 (24 months)

Objectives: to innovate VET provision through an intense capacity building action

- To create opportunities for VET organisations to exchange practices and discuss about innovation on regular basis
- To improve competences on teaching methodologies and raise awareness on three VET dimensions considered some of the main drivers of innovation: **Entrepreneurship education, Social Inclusion, Technology enabled learning.**
- To develop synergies among VET organisations in Europe to develop innovation in these three dimensions of VET

Target Groups: teachers and staff; headmasters; mobility experts' staff ; EFVET members and staff

The

Partnership

1. Kautech (LT) - Applicant and coordinator

VET organizations

2. INETE (PT)

3. Cometa (IT)

4. Centro San Viator (SP)

5. SEPR (FR)

Mobility Provider

6. Uniser (IT) - Coordinator

Educational Association focused on S

7. AHDE (HU)

IT Company expert in education and social inclusion

8. C.M. SKOULIDI & SIA E.E. (GR)

VET Umbrella organisation

9. EfVET (BE)



2 Thematic Seminars

September 21 → Lisbon (PT) - Tourism
May 22 → Lyon (FR) - Green Economy

4
Project
Transnational
Meetings

2
Thematic
Seminars

Thematic Seminars Goals

1. To exchange practices on the three dimensions of VET excellence (Entrepreneurship education, Social Inclusion and TEL) contextualised on the training courses pertaining on a specific sector (Green economy and Tourism)
2. To set up working groups of practitioners for the development of innovation in VET
3. To test the prototype of a one-stop-shop conference

Thematic Seminars Methodology

- Exchange of best practices in plenary session
- Expert lectures on the themes
- Working groups discussion to deepen the themes
- Project groups: to stimulate creative thinking and converting converted into innovative ideas in the shape of: a) new self-financed projects or practices implemented in collaboration with partner organisations and stakeholders; or b) new EU funded project.
- Study visits



Thank you

For your attention

