

Centres of Vocational Excellence

30.1.2025

Webinaari I: Kokemuksia CoVE-hankkeista



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Muuttaa elämäsi – avartaa maailmaasi.



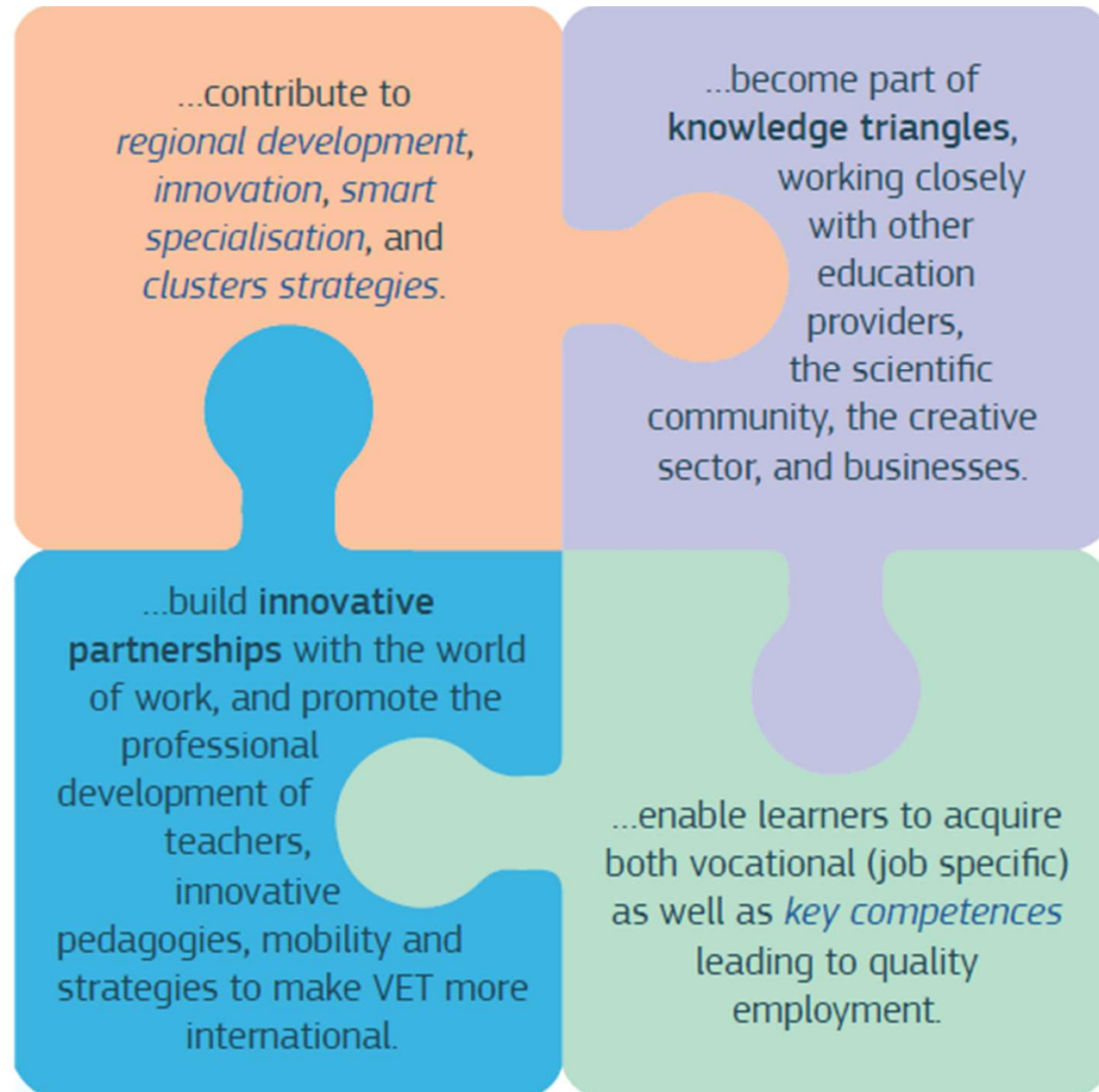
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Ammatillisen koulutuksen huippuyksiköt (Centres of Vocational Excellence, CoVE)

- Huippuyksiköt kokoavat yhteen alueellisia kumppaneita, kuten ammatillisen koulutuksen toimijoita, korkeakouluja, tutkimuslaitoksia ja yrityksiä, elinkeino-elämää yms. kansainvälisesti verkostoituen
- Toimivat yritysten kehittämisen ja innovaatioiden katalysaattoreina
- Tukevat ammatillisen koulutuksen ja työelämän uudistuksia ja tuottavat korkealaatuista koulutusta
- Laativat pitkän aikavälin toimintasuunnitelman hankkeen tulosten käyttöönottoon, skaalautuvuuteen ja jatkuvuuteen
- Levittävät työn tuloksia laajalti alueellisesti, kansallisesti ja Euroopassa

Success factors – CoVEs are expected to

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[Erasmus+, Centres of vocational excellence - Publications Office of the EU \(europa.eu\)](#)



Partneriryhmä:

What should the partnership look like?



Minimum **8 full partners** from minimum **4 EU Member States** or **third countries associated to the Programme**

Each EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme must involve:

at least 1 enterprise, industry or sector representative organisation

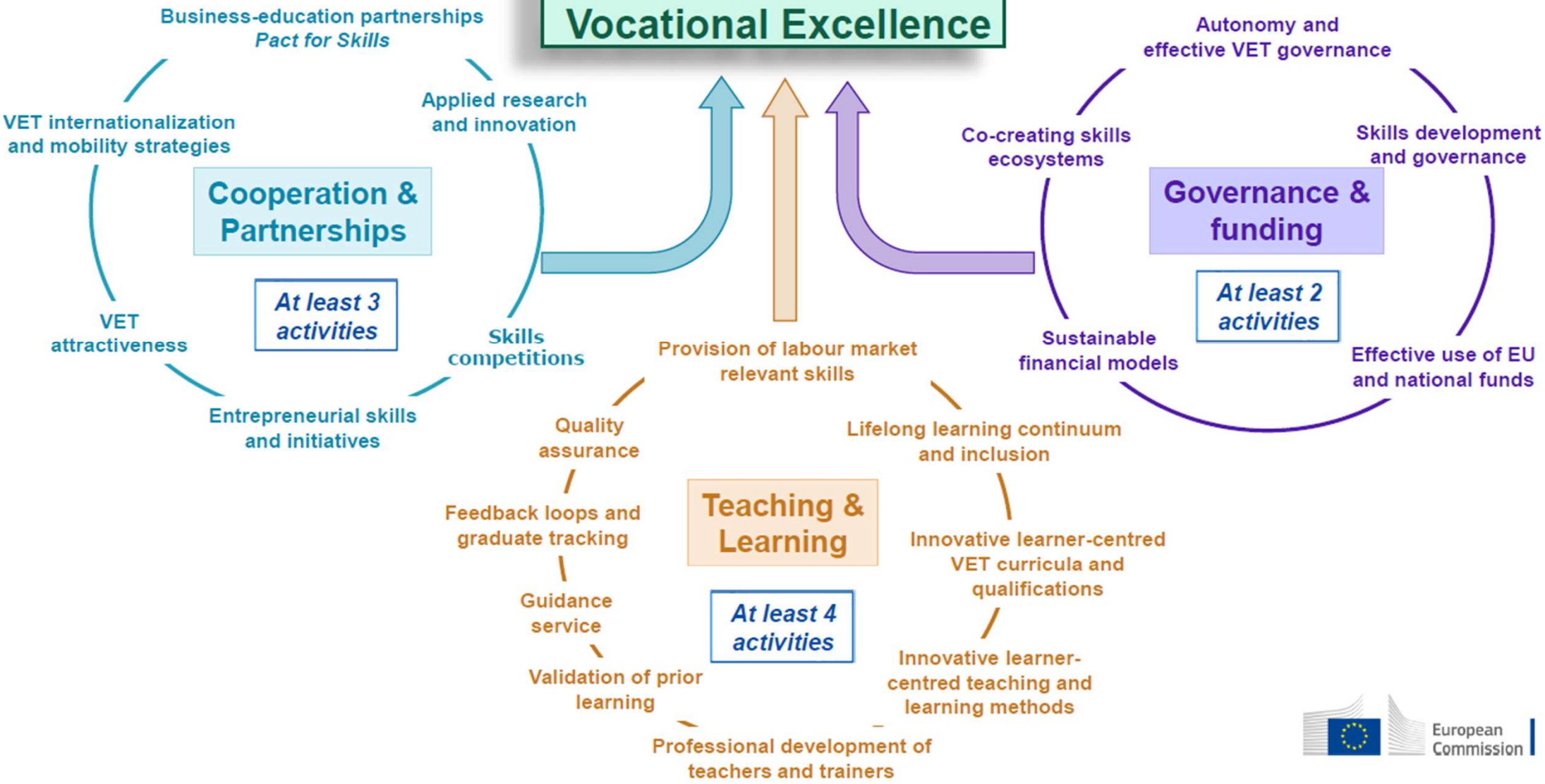
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at least 1 VET provider at secondary and/or tertiary level)

*The **coordinator** must be from an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme*

The partnership can also involve any other organisation active in VET and the world of work

Typical activities of CoVEs, leading to Vocational Excellence



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Scope: to support the gradual establishment and development of international collaborative networks of Vocational Excellence – EQF levels: Can be at any EQF level but must include levels 3, 4 or 5



Duration

4 years



Max EU grant

Max per project:
4 million €
Total budget
2025: 60 million €
Type of grants:
Lump Sum II



Where to apply

In Funding and Tenders
Portal:
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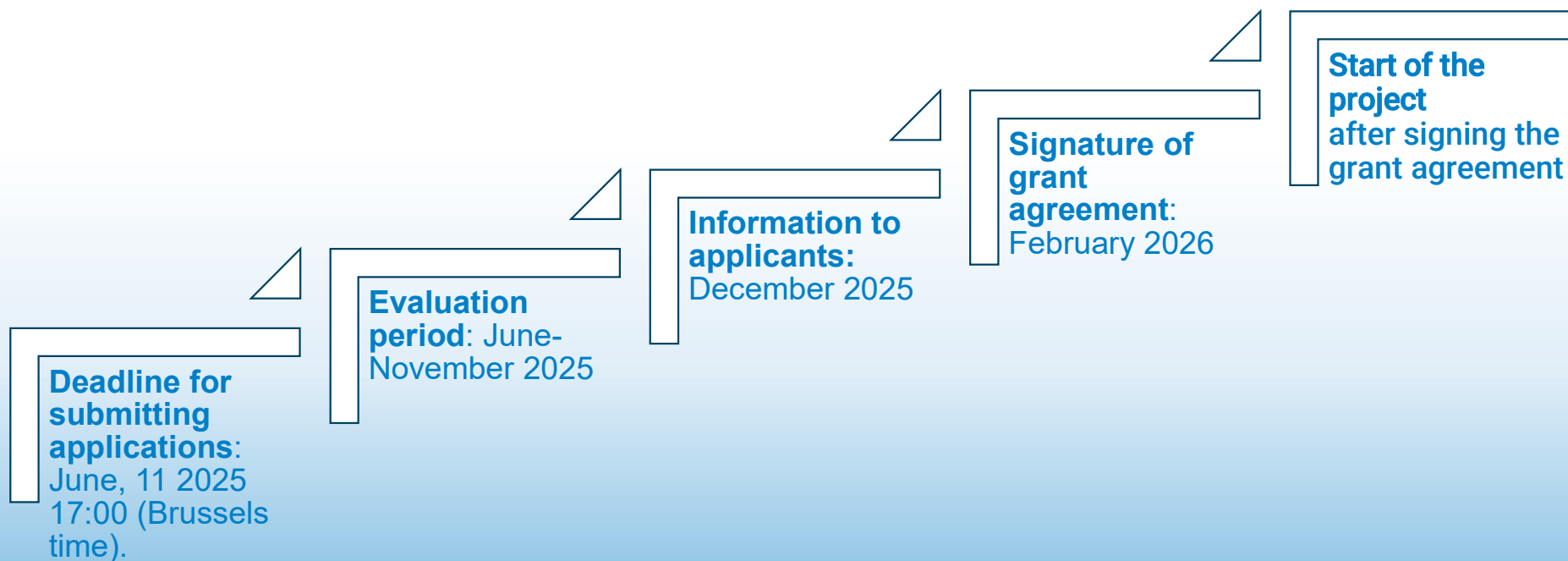


Application deadline

11 June 2025 at
17:00:00 (Brussels
time)

20 February: Online
Info Session: Centres
of Vocational
Excellence 2025

Timetable



Centres of Vocational Excellence (CoVE) 2021-2024

- Strong interest in the initiative and many applications
- The 2021-2024 projects reach broadly:
 - 41 different countries involved, including all Member States
 - Range from 12 to 85 partners, incl. associated partners
 - Currently, 1465 organisations involved (**list available on website**)

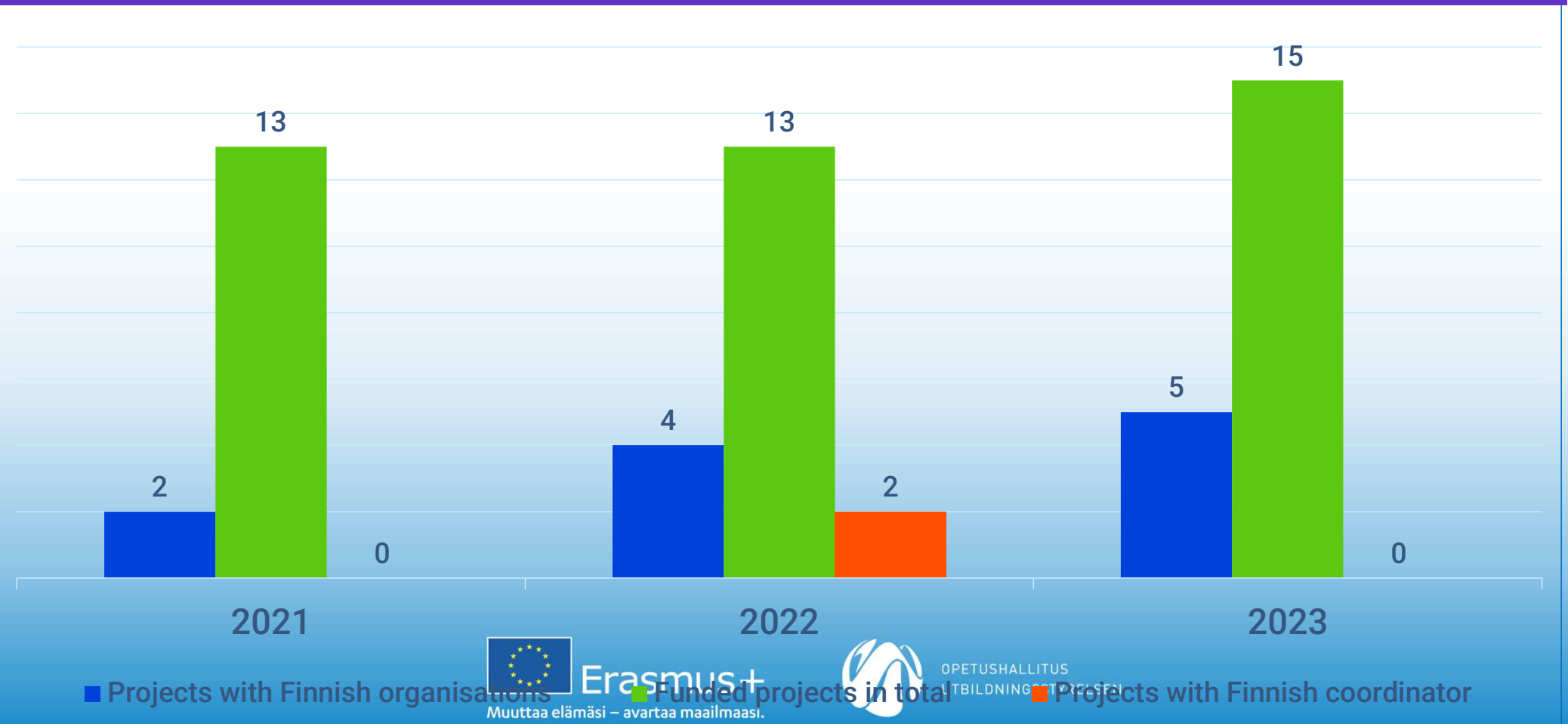
Call Year	2021	2022	2023	2024
Budget	44 million	48 million	56 million	56 million
Number of applications	84	76	109	132
Number of funded projects	13	13	15	15
Selection rate	15,7%	21,3%	15,6%	12,6%
Number of countries involved in applications	55	54	64	63
Number of countries involved in selected projects	32	31	28	31

Centres of Vocational Excellence: Statistics on the participation of Finnish organisations in funded projects



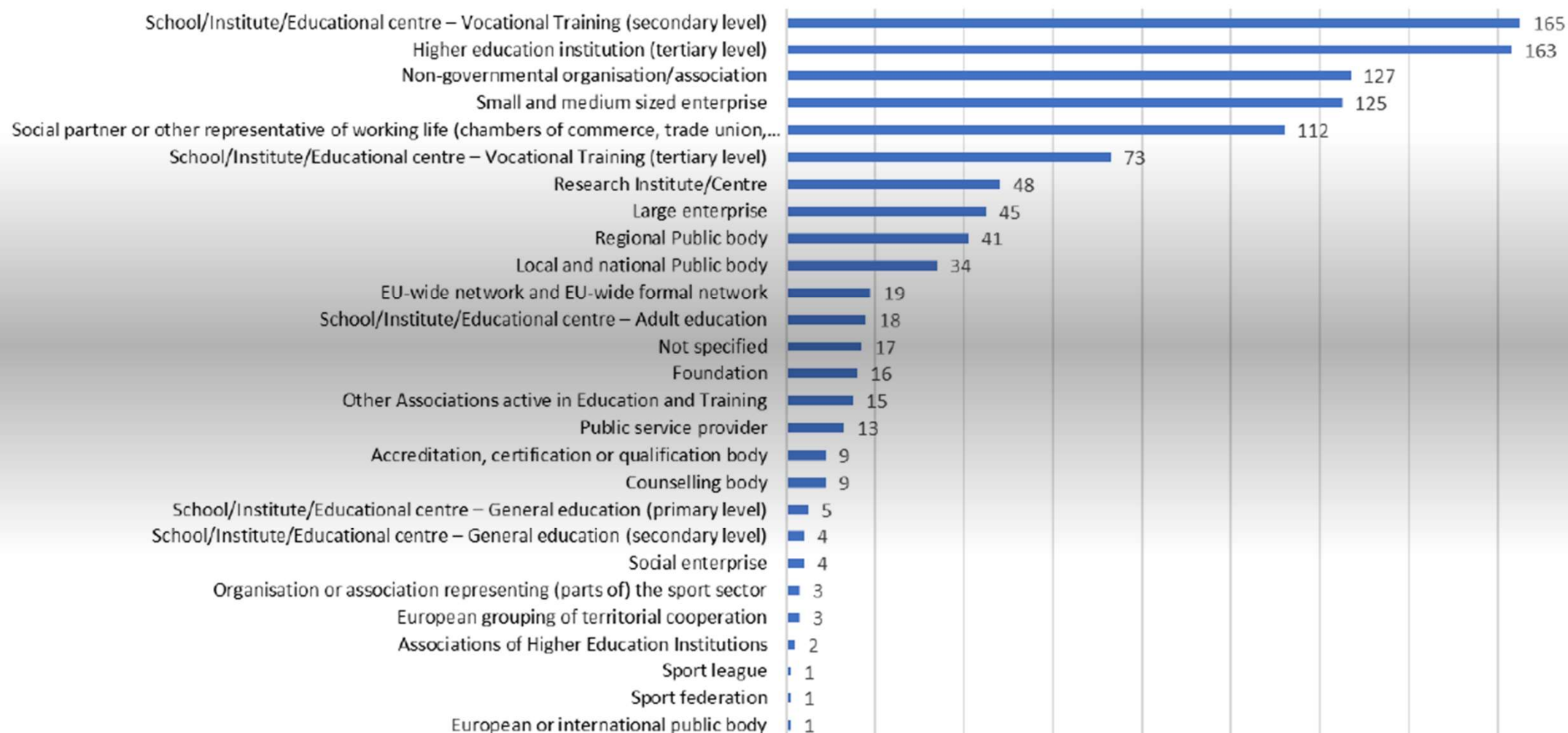
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OVERVIEW



Skills ecosystems

Types of organisations involved 2021-2023

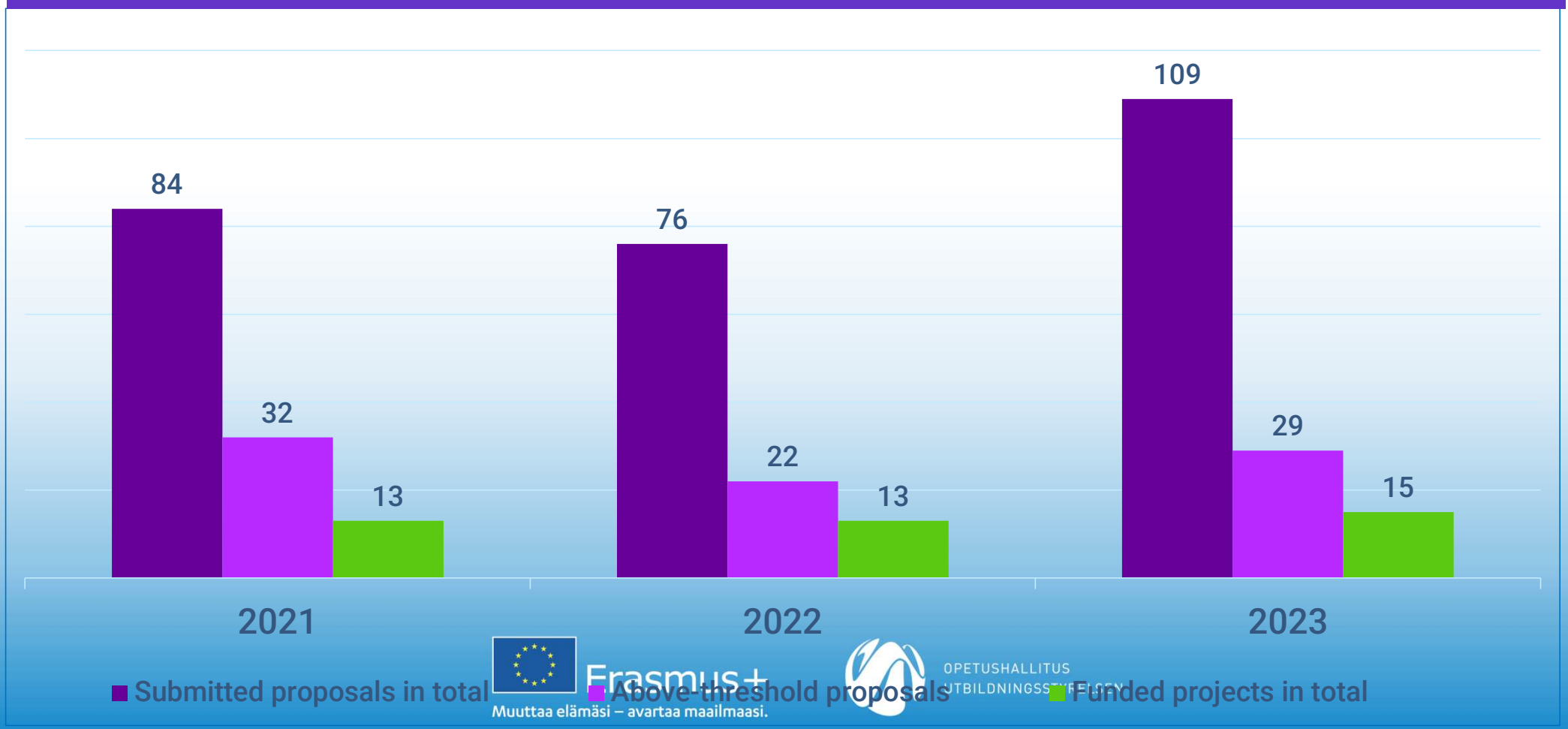


Centres of Vocational Excellence: Statistics on applications, their quality and funded projects throughout Europe



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APPLICATION STATISTICS



Tutustu tarkkaan komission hakuohjeisiin

- EACEAn CoVE-infowebinaari 20.2.2025 klo 11-13 (Suomen aikaa)
- Hae hakulomake The Funding & tenders –portaalista
- Online Manual (Funding & tender opportunities)
- Webinar session: The Funding & tenders Portal for beginners (27 May 2021)
- Kysymykset komissiolle: EACEA-EPLUS-VET@ec.europa.eu

Tietoa Erasmus+ CoVE-toiminnosta

- [Programme Guide 2025 – Centres of Vocational Excellence](#)
- [Ammatillisen koulutuksen huippuyksiköt OPH:n verkkosivuilla](#)
- [Tietoja Ammatillisen koulutuksen huippuyksiköistä, joissa on mukana suomalaisia toimijoita \(OPH:n padlet\)](#)
- **CoVE-tietoa komission verkkosivuilla:**
 - [Yleistietoa CoVE-toiminnosta](#)
 - [Tarkempaa tietoa CoVE-hankkeista mm. aiemmin rahoitettujen hankkeiden Fact sheets ja listaus partnereista](#)



Vocational Excellence networks

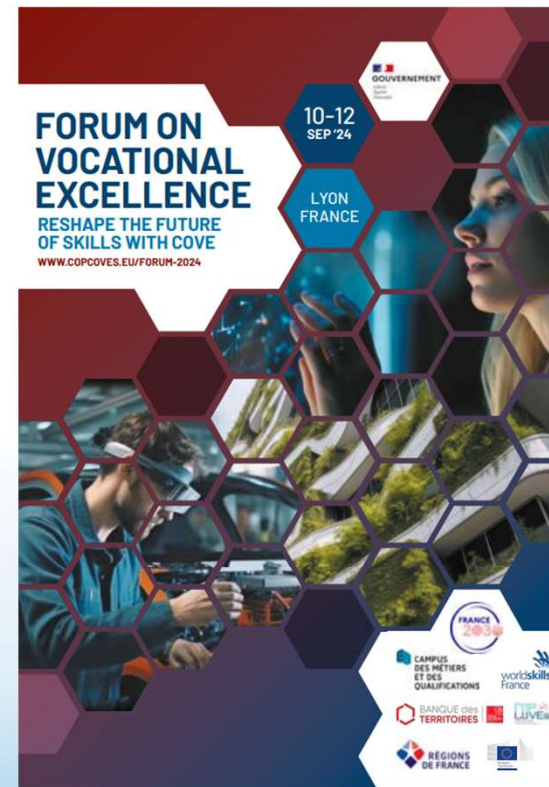
- Community of Practice Centres of Vocational Excellence (CopCOVEs)
- ETF Network for Excellence (ENE)
 - ISATCOVE (Self-assessment tool)
 - Vocational Excellence e-Library | Open Space

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COVEs





[Copcoves Better Together DEF.pdf](#)



[Brochure Forum CMQ and CoVEs-web.pdf](#)

Erasmus+ Forward-Looking Projects 2025

[OPH:n sivusto Erasmus+ Tulevaisuuteen suuntautuvista hankkeista](#)

Hakulomakkeet ja lisätietoja Funding and Tenders Opportunities -portaalissa aiheittain:

[Topic 1: School Education: Enhancing basic skills](#)

[Topic 2: Vocational Education and Training: Promote an enabling and supportive environment for vocational excellence at national and/or regional level](#)

[Topic 3: Vocational Education and Training: Development of joint VET qualifications and modules](#)

[Topic 4: Adult Learning: Support to the Pact for Skills](#)

[Topic 5: Adult learning: Improving career guidance to support adults' participation in training](#)

[Topic 6: Digital education: Assessment of digital skills and competences](#)

[Topic 7: Digital education: Ethical and effective use of generative Artificial Intelligence systems in education and training](#)

[Topic 8: Innovative Data Collection and exchange approaches in primary, secondary education \(including vocational education and training\) for data-informed decision-making](#)



Promote an enabling and supportive environment for vocational excellence at national and/or regional level

The projects should aim at promoting an enabling and supportive environment for vocational excellence at national and/or regional level through support structures, wide dissemination of the Erasmus+ CoVE projects and their results, further developing synergies with the work of various stakeholders, also sharing similar thematic or sectoral approaches, mapping of national/regional funding opportunities and other existing policy initiatives in the countries participating.

The projects should thereby increase the impact of the individual CoVEs, and promote their sustainability and scalability beyond Erasmus+ funding. The projects could expand activities, and/or partnerships and mainstream successful CoVEs projects at national level.

Activities

1. Peer learning activities, networking, analysis of national/regional frameworks for vocational excellence, set up of governance structures and advice from and to policy makers/stakeholders
2. Exchanges of good practices, expand activities and/or partnerships, scale up and mainstream successful projects at national level
3. Develop and implement an evidence-based methodology and/or engagement strategy, in order to secure the systemic impact of the CoVE initiative
4. Create synergies at local/regional/national level among vocational excellence stakeholders
5. Promoting vocational excellence at regional and/or national level, and act as catalyst/inspiration to other stakeholders and to national and regional VET systems
6. Connect existing CoVEs to skills ecosystems / CoVEs in other economic sectors to create economies of scale and work on cross-sectoral societal challenges
7. Explore how to ensure the sustainability of the results of the CoVE projects

OPH:n CoVE-webinaari II

- **Webinaari II: Keskustelua arviointikriteereistä ja vinkkejä hakemuksen laatimiseen 3.3.2025 klo 14.30-16:00.**

Tilaisuuden tiedot ja osallistumislinkki:

[Erasmus+ Ammatillisen koulutuksen huippuyksiköiden \(Centres of Vocational Excellence\) hakuinfo, webinaari 2](#)