



EUVECA - EUROPEAN PLATFORM FOR VET EXCELLENCE IN HEALTH CARE

Partnership for Excellence - Centres of Vocational Excellence Projects selected for funding under the ERASMUS+ 2021 call

The EUVECA project (European platform for vocational excellence in health care) is designed to support the healthcare sector's needed innovation and development by ensuring the provision of future-oriented skills within the sector. The project creates regional vocational excellence hubs in 7 European regions, which collaborate within a European platform for vocational excellence in health care. The objective is to ensure coordination, adaptation, innovation, and upward convergence within regional health education eco systems and promote European (blended) mobility and inter-regional learning and collaboration among health care professionals and students from the participating regions. The overall ambition with the EUVECA project is to show that by including a strategic and coordinated focus on VET in the work and collaboration within the regional health eco-systems, VET can contribute in a substantial way to move innovation forward within the European health care sector and ensure the sustainability of the sector on both a European and regional level. Regional vocational excellence hubs and a European platform for vocational excellence in health will be developed and tested to obtain this ambition.

Main objectives

- Increase the quality and attractiveness of vocational training and lifelong learning within the European healthcare sector and within healthcare education in general by focusing increasingly on coordination, collaboration between different levels of education and training, enabling more upward convergence on regional level and promoting (blended) mobility- and inter-regional learning activities for health care students and professionals.
- Contribute to the implementation of the European skills agenda by ensuring continuous and high-quality VET to professionals in the healthcare sector, focusing on improved and tailored lifelong skills training, covering 21st-century skills, such as digital skills, communication skills, patient involvement skills and health literacy, interdisciplinary and cross-sector collaboration skills, multidisciplinary skills and innovation skills, which are needed within all levels of professionals within the healthcare sector, from healthcare assistants to medical doctors.
- Contribute to the implementation of the European Education Area by creating long term sustainable collaboration within

higher health education and VET, between the participating regions through the European Platform for Vocational Excellence, which is expected to be extended to more European regions beyond the project period.

- Contribute to the sustainability of the European healthcare system through better planning, better forecasting of skills needs as well as better training of present and future healthcare professionals, improved opportunities for implementation and uptake of innovation and technological solutions, and a stronger liaison between the European skills development agenda and the European Health strategy.

Main deliverables

- To develop and present in-depth European skills needs analysis, including a scoping review
- To create a European Platform for VET Excellence in Healthcare (EPVE) that gathers and coordinates collaboration between the RVEHs from the 7 European regions and which, beyond the project period, will be open to other RVEHs to join.
- At least 100 students and/or professionals in each participating region will have taken part in regional training activities
- An updated governance model for the RVEH and the EPVE

Project duration **4 years**

EU grant **€ 3.557.775**

Lead organisation **Region of Southern Denmark (Hospital of Southern Jutland)**

Location **Kresten Philipsens Vej 15, 6200 Aabenraa, Denmark**

Partners

BELGIUM European Health Management Association (EHMA);

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SLOVENIA Community Health Centre Ljubljana; University of Ljubljana;

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