



ENCOURAGE



# PROJECT ERASMUS+

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– COOPERATION PARTNERSHIPS IN VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING

## DEVELOPMENT OF COURSES FOR SUSTAINABLE WASTE MANAGEMENT FOR MUNICIPALITIES

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# WHAT IS ENCOURAGE?

**THE AIM OF THE PROJECT IS DEVELOPMENT OF THE EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS FOR THE REPRESENTATIVES FROM WASTE OR ENVIRONMENTAL DEPARTMENT WITHIN MUNICIPALITIES, VET SCHOOLS AND DECISION MAKERS, FOR SUSTAINABLE WASTE MANAGEMENT.**

Who makes ENCOURAGE possible?

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## WHY ENCOURAGE IS NEEDED?

The transition to a sustainable and climate-neutral economy requires significant investment throughout the EU. Most areas are particularly vulnerable to the effects of climate change and requires integrated and coordinated actions towards socio-economic transformation. Moreover, the COVID19 pandemic has significantly affected the society. It is important is to provide unique support across Europe to students, entrepreneurs and innovators dedicated to developing innovative solutions to societal challenges.

## WHAT EXACTLY DO WE WANT TO DO?

The ENCOURAGE project delivers solutions with well-defined market pathways. The most important is to encourage and educate the municipal employees how to manage wastes appropriately in order to enable proper management of wastes generated within the municipalities. This will be made possible by building relevant and high-quality skills and competences through the development and implementation of Courses for Sustainable Waste Management (WM) for Municipalities These courses will support the setting up and provide access to upskilling pathways on sustainable WM which is the most relevant priority of this Project.

## PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- Development and implementation of new and innovative professional courses for the waste sector in line with EU Waste Framework Directive.
- Improvement of the level of competencies and skills at municipality level in the field of sustainable WM.
- Minimalisation of the gap between the needs for new knowledge, lack of educational programs and challenges of target groups in sustainable waste management.

## WHAT OUTCOMES CAN WE ACHIEVE WITH ENCOURAGE?

1. Benchmarking analysis of skills and competences, needs and challenges for Sustainable Waste Management
2. Qualification profile for Waste management specialist with the use of NQF/EQF levels
3. Curriculum and syllabus development for Courses for Sustainable Waste Management with the certification elements
4. Training materials for Courses for Sustainable Waste Management
5. Interactive e-learning platform
6. Waste management knowledge hub

## WHO CAN BENEFIT FROM OUR PROJECT?

- Representatives from waste or environmental department within municipalities.
- VET schools/trainees.
- Decision makers, for sustainable WM in line with the national and EU policies, and in long-term contributing to the development and management of waste resources on both a local and global scale.



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