

LESSONS LEARNT

Developing solutions for Digitally Signed Credentials and Open Badges in VET and Higher Education

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The DiscoVET Lessons Learned Kit

The DiscoVET Lessons Learned Kit is summing up and demonstrating the project main outputs accounting for both the knowledge we as project partners have gained about the education and validation environment in the European Union and the participating countries on the face of the changes and transformations in process, especially when we look at the momentum of open, online education, as well as for the needs in knowledge and skills in that respect of the education community, the learners in VET and Higher Education, but also the issuers of digitally-signed credentials, professionals, companies and organisations in the labour market.

The Lessons Learned Kit provides in a concise and direct manner useful information, practices and tools as developed by the project for all the above mentioned groups of persons and actors, so they can benefit, become aware, understand the workings in the production of knowledge and skills and how they are validated in the new educational environment, use and apply tools and practices from their position in the knowledge creation continuum within Academia, VET, Adult Education, the labour market.

 <https://youtu.be/RBpql5fkSEc>



The significance of the DISCO VET project

This project demonstrated how it's possible to create an innovative educational tool in the frame of a 2 year project without spending lots of money. As it is described in the video from the participants, micro-credentialing is becoming more prevalent, and we can use the experience gained to adapt and enhance Learning Management systems. It is stated that it is a common belief to recognize specific aspects of education differently than with a diploma, and these will also be represented with a digital open badge.



<https://youtu.be/bwohkjMjZGI>



Looking at the collaboration of the DISCO VET partnership

Eva Szalma, Project Manager and Researcher at the Institute of Continuing Engineering Education from the Budapest University of Technology and Economics in Hungary provided the frame of the collaboration within the DISCOVET partnership. The DISCO VET project brought together a transnational consortium from 6 EU countries (Hungary, Lithuania, Greece, Spain, Latvia and Malta), involving 6 expert organizations with complementary experience and expertise to achieve the project's goals. Even under the circumstances of the pandemic, the partners were in constant communication, discussing the issues and the upcoming activities of the project following up the quick advancements and changes in the educational Market with respect of digital Badges and micro credentials hoping to expand their collaborations to future endeavours.

<https://youtu.be/tPT7EuouVqg>



Lessons Learnt by the participants of the training on Digitally Signed Credentials and Open Badges

This video focuses on the training on Digitally Signed Credentials and Open Badges based on the free online course developed by the DISCO VET project team that was held between 6-8 July 2022 at the Budapest University of Technology and Economics. In this video, participants shared their opinion about the benefits gained from the training. The course provides with the knowledge and tools to familiarise yourself with this area, the theoretical context as well as easy to follow step-by-step guides to create, issue and manage own digital badges and certificates.

After 2 very productive and exciting years of intense and team work DISCOVET project come to an end, on February 28, 2022. We hope you will continue using the tools developed during the project.

Thank you for having worked with us and for having contributed to our work!

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