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# Start of a new project - Valits 2.0!

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### **ABOUT THE PROJECT**

Valits 2.0 is a project for disadvantage groups and low skilled persons. Nowadays the Informal Transversal Skills are often the key to access a job and are likely to become essential in today's work environment.

Digital and technological developments replace many low skilled jobs, so it is very important to have skills that cannot be replaced by computers or robots.

## The aim of the VALITS 2.0 project is to develop three tools that:

- a) provide low-skilled workers with a detailed and objective assessment of their informal transversal skills,
- b) suggest pathways to learn and improve those skills, and finally

c) train professional qualification consultants in the better use and assessment of informal transversal skills.

By incorporating components of several EU tools into its methodology (such as ECVET, Europass and ESCO), the project will develop a model that can transferred to other target groups in order to support the mobility of workforce across different sectors and create flexible pathways in line with learners' and employees needs and objectives. The project will thereby deliver an important contribution to the "New Skills Agenda for Europe", that aims at "making better use of the skills that are available" as well as fulfilling the requirements of the ET2020 strategic framework.

Project VALITS 2.0 started in December 2019.







### INTELLECTUAL OUTPUTS

In the course of the project, the project partners will develop three intellectual outputs:

- 1) The VALITS 2.0 Assessment Tool will be the first open resource software tool aimed at low-skilled persons that is based on a set of tests and questions that will indirectly extract skills from the user and rate them objectively.
- 2) The Skills Learning Guide will be an application that completes the offer to the target group of low skilled persons: This digital database will provide information on learning opportunities based on the personal assessment score and thereby not only reassure the users of their competences but also support them to be better oriented with concrete learning and improvement options that they are able to pursue.
- 3) The VALITS 2.0 Training Manual for professional qualification consultants will be mainly developed for and directed towards professional qualification consultants, but also be available for all interested parties.

### TARGET GROUPS

- a) Low-skilled adults and disadvantaged groups such as migrants, ethnic minorities and people with disabilities
- b) Professional qualification consultants in employment authorities and job agencies
- c) Employers of low-skilled workers

# VALITS 2.0 PROJECT KICK OFF MEETING

The first partners meeting under VALITS 2.0 project took place on the 20th and 21st January 2020 in Saalfelden, Austria. Partners were introduced to the general concept, objectives, and first steps in the project. During the meeting, important items of the agenda were discussed. The participants became acquainted at the prospect of the development of intellectual outputs and outlined plans for research.

The next meeting will take place in 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of May 2020 in Rzeszow, Poland.





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### **PROJECT PARTNERS:**











### **PROJECT SUMMARY**



Within the competitive European employment market Informal Transversal Skills get more and more important. Especially for disadvantaged people and low skilled persons theses Transversal Skills could be the key to access a job.

The objective of the Valits 2.0 project is to assess the Transversal Skills of these persons with a tool, validating their skills with a Skills Certificate that employers can trust and helping them to improve their skills with the help of a Learning Guide. Furthermore a training manual will be provided for professional qualification consultants of how to support these persons.

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