

THE VELUX FOUNDATIONS

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THE EUROPEAN VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING INITIATIVE

VILLUM FOUNDATION seeks to enable young people in Europe to become front runners in the digital and green transitions. The European Vocational Education and Training Initiative (EVI) supports inclusive, VET, specifically addressing the green and digital transition as well as young people's social skills and motivation for education. We focus primarily on projects in the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Italy and France.

The initiative is allocated EUR 10-15 million annually. Our funding is mainly focused on projects in two interrelated focus areas:

✕ Focus 1: Enhancing quality of vocational training and education (VET) particularly within the digital and green transitions

VET is an important lever of Europe's digital and green transitions. Highly qualified and motivated employees are crucial if the industries are to become more sustainable and climate-friendly while at the same time remaining efficient and competitive. We support high-quality vocational education and training, provided by competent teachers in state-of-the-art facilities – especially in those areas that relate to the digital and green transitions. In particular we fund:

- Teacher training and professional development
- New student training programmes and educational pathways
- Inclusive study environments and diversity in recruiting
- State-of-the-art equipment and facilities

✕ Focus 2: Improving young people's skills and educational motivation, particularly in the fields related to the digital and green transitions

Europe's digital and green transitions will require that citizens develop the necessary skills to use new technologies in everyday life and at work. And they must be able to translate knowledge about technology and the environment into qualified decisions, for the benefit of a greener and more sustainable society. In order to enable young people to acquire skills and competencies needed in the future, EVI funds projects that:

- Build young people's skills and interest in computer technology, the climate and sustainable environment
- Qualify and motivate young people to engage in VET and education in general
- Support social inclusion and empowerment of at-risk youth and improving their skills and motivation for education

VILLUM FONDEN supports capacity building and competence development and prioritise long-term projects with potential for systemic change. Applicants would often be schools and educational institutions, civil society organisations, local innovators, and public authorities.

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