Q4EDU project aims to support VET institutions in their digitalization process, badly impacted by Covid-19 crisis which has disrupted the education process, not only focusing on online tools, evaluation and examination methods, but also devising a framework to assess the digital readiness at VET level.

The central aim of Q4EDU project is to offer a methodology for a quality plan to VET centers and trainers for them to: 1) adopt a quality-centric point of view for their services and internal operations, 2) address digital education readiness issue, 3) assess training methods’ adaptability, 4) assess quality of online/distance/blended learning in the post covid-19 era.

Q4EDU RESULTS

- METHODOLOGICAL FRAMEWORK, which will consist of an innovative methodology to exploit well-known models for quality excellence and well-recognized methodologies used by the industrial sector to form a quality framework tailored to evaluate digital readiness for VET.
- ECVET PROFILE AND TRAINING METHODOLOGY, a sort of an ECVET Curriculum, which will develop a novel methodology for specialized training on the assessment of digital readiness in VET.
- TRAINING COURSE DEVELOPMENT, an online training course useful to become familiar with quality assessments, indicators, and criteria, and to evaluate the digital readiness of their VET centre.
- DIGITAL READINESS ASSESSMENT TOOL, a tool to provide quick assessments regarding digital readiness at course or organisation level.
- POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS/GUIDELINES, addressed to European VET trainers and institutions, to raise awareness of decision-makers of the potential benefits of the diffusion of the Digital Readiness Evaluation Methodological Framework to VET organisation Europe-wide.

Q4EDU presented during the “European Research and Innovation Days” – 23 and 24 June 2021

As a member of the consortium of Q4EDU Erasmus+ project, Atlantis Engineering participated in the event “European Research and Innovation Days”, Europe’s largest research and innovation event. Mariya Gabriel, Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth states that “The 2021 edition of the European Research and Innovation Days could not have come at a more important time. Together, we can recover from the coronavirus pandemic and ensure a green and digital future for everyone”.

This project has been funded with support from the European Commission. This communication reflects the views only of the author, and the Commission cannot be held responsible for any use which may be made of the information contained therein. + Q4EDU- Quality for Digital Education Readiness in VET Project, project number: 2020-1-PL01-KA226-VET-095343.
Atlantis Engineering promoted Q4EDU project, presenting its aims, i.e. to eliminate the existing gap of no framework to assess the digital readiness at VET level as well as the main objectives of the project, i.e. to provide the novel Q4EDU framework and to develop training content and the Digital Readiness Assessment Tool.

Among all topics to be discussed during the R&I Days were the Covid-19 response recovery, funding opportunities, skills and education, research, and innovation. Finally, they also addressed different aspects on digital readiness for VET schools and its importance and had the opportunity to learn from other experienced stakeholders in the field.