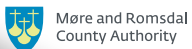


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Creating green jobs and preparing young professionals for employment





Overview

The YENESIS project aims at creating employment opportunities for young professionals, aged between 25 and 29, that are **Not in Employment, Education, or Training (NEETs)** in islands. The main objective of the project is to reduce unemployment of this target group by creating green jobs on islands in the areas of energy efficiency, renewables, sustainable tourism, and mobility.

The project will work with NEET young professional participants in an elaborate process to equip and prepare them for the employment in green jobs. The process starting from the training of the participants until the conclusion of their local work placements, is uniquely designed in order to supply the NEET young professionals with the skills, experience and mentoring needed to move into employment with a focus on entrepreneurship. Its innovative pedagogy methods, the skills application in real-life projects, and the visioning applied to create truly and holistically sustainable future jobs for the people and the environment, render the project one of its kind.

Addressing the challenge

YENESIS brings on board island partners from 8 countries from all across Europe, namely Cyprus, Greece, Croatia, Norway, Estonia, Portugal, Spain and Italy, thus creating a pan-European island collaboration. Regardless of differences in size and population, island partners face common territorial challenges concerning economies of scale, resource limitations, and vulnerability to climate change.

The Challenges young professionals in islands face

Limited job opportunities, especially ones matching their qualifications



Vicious circle of a lack of job-lack of experience

Lack of business skills or capital to create their own business and create jobs in the area

The Solution

- The creation of new sustainable green jobs in islands
- Supporting young professionals and preparing them for employment in green jobs via training, business development, mentoring, work exchanges and internships in local projects.



Primary Target Group

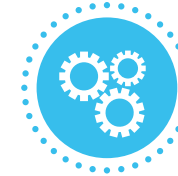
- NEET Professionals aged 25-29



Secondary Target Group

- Youth in secondary education
- Business Support Organisations
- Employers and Industrialists
- Governmental Organisations
- Productivity Centres
- Funding Institutions/ Banks/Investors
- Educational Institutes
- NGOs
- Public
- European Institutions and Organisations
- Fund operator and other EU level funding mechanisms

Main Stages



1. Research Stage

- Identification of sustainable future for green jobs
- Establishing a guide on sustainability competencies for green jobs
- Identification of good practices between the partners
- Mapping of NEET young professionals



2. Learning Stage

Equipping the participants with the necessary tools to achieve the desired outcome. These include:

- an educational course on business innovation and the 4 thematic areas,
- a showcasing expedition on good practices in the expertise partner's country, and
- an apprenticeship mobility scheme (12 participants per country) between the beneficiary countries.



3. Application Stage

The final stage of the project will solidify the outcomes of the project with the return of the participants to their home countries to work on local sustainability projects. Throughout this stage they will be mentored by experts and the participants will have the opportunity to share and exchange their ideas throughout the network through an online platform created for this purpose.



4. Capitalisation Stage

Running in parallel with the Application Stage, Capitalisation focuses on stakeholders to encourage them to engage in similar projects and improve employment situation for youth.