

The European Year of Skills has started!

- The <u>Decision on the European Year of Skills</u> was adopted on 11 May.
- The Year will take place in the period of 9 May 2023 to 8 May 2024.



Why a European Year of Skills?

To further promote a mindset of reskilling and upskilling



Increased, more effective and inclusive investment



Skills relevance

Strengthening skills relevance by close cooperation



Matching aspirations

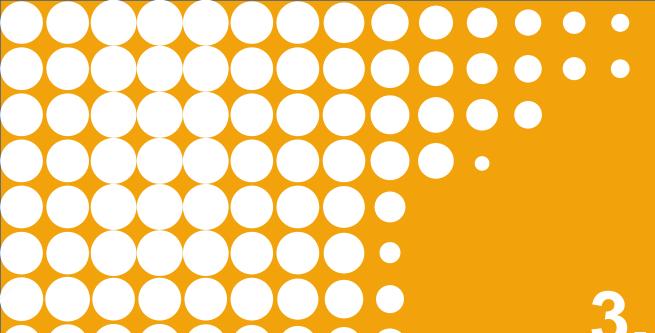
Matching people's aspirations and skills-set with labour market opportunities



Attracting third country talent

Attracting people from third countries with the skills needed





3. WHERE WE ARE







EU flagship events

9 May: The European Year of Skills Festival

8 - 9 June:
 Making Skills Count

• 23 - 27 October: The **VET week**

16 - 17 November:
 The <u>Employment and Social Rights Forum</u>

Upcoming:

23 February 2024
 Meet the Champions of excellence

30 April 2024:
 A concluding event





Other EU key events

- High-level Conference on Skills: Supporting skills development through reforms (25 May)
- EU <u>Green Week</u> 2023 (3-11 June)
- European Sustainable Energy Week (20-22 June)
- <u>European Alliance for Apprenticeships</u> (EAfA)
 <u>high-level event</u> (26-27June)
- Joint Agency event with European Parliament
 Skills! Skills! (20 September)
- Cybersecurity Month (October)
- **EU Code Week** (7-22 October)
- <u>European Week of Regions and Cities</u> (9-12 October)
- REGIOSTARS Awards (16 November)
- European Education Summit (30 November)



















National Events

- Over 1500 planned so far 800+ already implemented
- Spread across 38 countries. Most events in Belgium, Italy, Spain, Germany and France
- Around 70% of the events address more than one of the specific objectives of the Year.



National Coordinators

- 39 **countries have appointed** their national coordinator(s), including all Member States. Full list available <u>here</u>;
- **National Coordinators** meet throughout the Year to exchange on national activities and learn from each other. Being the bridge between the EU and national level, they drive and shape the Year at national, regional and local level.
- Exchanges reveal elaborate national plans:
 - focusing on implementing EU initiatives (e.g.: Individual Learning Accounts);
 - fostering training and adult learning in line with the needs of the labour market;
 - setting up new projects to give visibility to skills and to promote a mindset of up and reskilling.









EYS website

- In my country
- On the ground: success stories on upskilling and reskilling. Share yours too!
- **Events. Add yours too!**
- News

Coming soon: Real People, Real Skills



Get inspired, get involved, get skilled!



How can you contribute?

 Develop your own activities on re-skilling and upskilling using EYS branding (as per <u>Communication toolkit</u>) submit your event <u>here</u>

- Share successful project stories and compelling testimonials EMPL-SHARE-YOUR-SKILLS-STORY@ec.europa.eu
- Share your upskilling or reskilling story for the 'Real People, Real Skills' campaign through this <u>survey</u>
- Join EU events
- Spread the word #EuropeanYearOfSkills



Thank you for your interest!

Useful link: European Year of Skills webpage

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