



European Vocational Skills Week, 5-9 December 2016



The inaugural European Vocational Skills Week took place 5-9 December 2016, **bringing together a full range of VET stakeholders from across Europe** and covering themes such as: Adult Learning and reskilling, Youth employment, VET's contribution to competitiveness and jobs, Apprenticeships and mobility, Businesses and VET and Improving quality assurance in VET.

"This has been a great Week with all our younger and older skills learners. Congratulations to all involved!"

Marianne Thyssen, European Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs, Skills and Labour Mobility

Events in Member States

Over 900 national events and activities took place, with activities in all EU Member States and beyond.

Events in Member States reached over **700,000** people

Top types of activities:

Open doors Conferences Seminars

Top types of organisers:

Vocational Training organisations National/Regional/Local authorities National Agencies

Top 3 countries: T

Spain Hungary Croatia

Top target groups:

Teachers
Vocational learners
Young people







Brussels Events

Participants at the Brussels events stated that their expectations were met or exceeded and that a large majority would come back to a similar event next year.

1,500 people attended the events organised by the European Commission



Social Media

Over **8,800** posts

Over **9,000,000** viewers*

Over **30,000,000** impressions**

*The number of unique users who have seen posts about the Week

**The number of times that users have seen posts containing the hashtag, keyword, URL, and/or mention'

EU Commissioner Günther Oettinger and apprentices, Siemens Training Center, Germany





Top posts and tweets





Award Winners



Lisa Janisch

The Best of Europe Award, EuroSkills 2016

Nico Conti

The Youth in Education and Training Award, Cedefop video and photo competition 2016

Raquel Pereira Sousa Pinto

The Youth in Education and Training Award, Cedefop video and photo competition 2016

Smadar Or

The ETF Good Practice in the area of Youth Entrepreneurship Training Award

Optima Samkommun, Finland

The Innovative VET provider Award

Dr. Martin Mulder

The European Researcher Award, vocational education and training

Petronor, Spain

The European Alliance for Apprenticeships Awards - company category

Megan Niven, Nielsen

The European Alliance for Apprenticeships Awards - apprentice category

Lewis Churchill, IBM Europe

The European Alliance for Apprenticeships Awards – apprentice category

Ambassadors

Inspiring personalities joined the campaign as European Vocational Skills Week Ambassadors, acting as role models for both young people and adults.



Morana Saračević and Martina Čičko-Karapetrić, Boudoir Sisters,

Fashion Designers, Croatia

Gun-Britt Zeller,

Hairdresser, Gun-Britt Coiffure, Denmark

Enzo Miccio.

TV Presenter, Italy

Sebastian Dan,

Chef and Journalist, Romania

Clara Bassols,

Director of the Fundación Bertelsmann, Spain

Gérard Mestrallet,

Chairman of the Board of Directors of ENGIE and SUEZ and President of FACE, France

Jez Brooks,

Leader of the IBM Apprenticeship scheme, UK

Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion