The ETF: the EU agency supporting countries to develop through learning

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The ETF is an agency of the European Union, helping EU neighbouring countries to reform their own education and training systems, in line with the EU’s external relations policies.
OUR ACTIVITY COVERS FOUR MAIN AREAS

- Improving skills
- Promoting employability
- Making systems work for everyone
- Working for a global Europe
‘Human capital development’ shall be defined as work which contributes to the lifelong development of individuals’ skills and competences, through the improvement of vocational education and training systems.

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SUPPORTING PARTNER COUNTRIES

The EU created us to advance human capital development in countries outside the EU.

We support the skills dimension of the EU’s external action policy.
MOVING TOWARDS A GLOBAL EUROPE

Human capital development in external relations is key:

- To foster productivity and employment.
- To support social cohesion by promoting civic participation.
- To attain long-term stability and prosperity.
- In particular, to achieve socio-economic equilibrium.

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Everyone has the right to quality and inclusive education, training and lifelong learning, in order to maintain and acquire skills that enable them to participate fully in society and manage successfully transitions in the labour market.
OUR EXPERTISE

Improving skills
- Digital and online learning
- Qualifications
- Teacher/trainer training
- Work-based learning
- Career guidance

Promoting employability
- Youth employability
- Women’s & youth entrepreneurship
- Entrepreneurial learning
- Small Business Act assessment
- Enterprise skills

Making systems work for everyone
- Governance
- Policy analysis
- Progress monitoring (Torino Process)
- Financing and funding

Working for a global Europe
- Assistance to EU Delegations
- Advising EU policy-making
- Supporting EU institutions
- Managing relationships with international donors
OUR PARTNER COUNTRIES
OUR COLLABORATORS

EU Institutions
EU Member States

EU Delegations
Ministries of Education, Labour and Foreign Affairs
Business organisations
Education and training providers
Regional organisations

International organisations (e.g. OECD, UN)
International Development Banks
MORE ABOUT US

Established
1990 Council reg. 1360

Operational from
1994

Based in
Turin, Italy

Financed by
European Union

Staff
130
(December 2017)

Budget
€20.144m 2018

Partner countries
29
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