



MASTER Project: Lifelong Learning and Adult Returners – engaging with meta skills

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MASTER (Measures for Adults to Support Transition to further Education and Reskilling opportunities) project is an initiative aimed at facilitating the participation of low-skilled adults in formal education / training opportunities and in the labour market by developing or reinforcing their Personal, Social and Learning to Learn competence [PSL competence], which is crucial for the re-activation and re-engagement of potential learners from vulnerable groups and improve the capacity of AE providers to reach out to the target group through a multi-stakeholder outreach strategy.

Specific challenges called for a renewed strategy to tackle adults' social exclusion and low competitiveness in the labour market:

- lack of key competences in unemployed adults at large, and in low-skilled ones in particular;
- difficulties of low-skilled adults in participating in training experiences and/or in being supported for their access to labour market – need for guidance services;
- public support services are not often able to work according to a common framework, to reach the most vulnerable groups and to elaborate tailored guidance and training paths for different individuals
- paths are designed taking into account the needs of the target group more than the individual ones;
- recognition and validation processes aren't systematic and widely accessible and do not provide enough support for non-formal and informal learning validation.

The workshop will demonstrate some of the activities used to engage the target group with supported awareness raising and self-assessment of their PSL competences and activities to improve these.