

Green Circle

Micro-credentials in Construction

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Across the Green Circle initiative, a clear shift is taking place: activities are moving from design and planning phases into practical implementation and real-world testing. The three updates below are part of the same trajectory and should be read as interconnected steps in that transition.

2nd Transnational Webinar Join the Conversation?

Green Circle, in collaboration with BuildSkills Academy and the MASTERY Project, highlights a consistent message emerging from recent activities: the green transition in Europe is no longer confined to strategy or conceptual planning – it is increasingly being translated into the design and implementation of real, work-based skills.


Across training approaches, micro-credentials, and field-based testing, the direction is clear: skills must be measurable, recognised, and directly applicable in real working environments.

 **May 28 | 10:00–11.15 AM CET**

We're bringing together **Green Circle, BuildSkills Academy & the MASTERY Project** for a high-impact session on how Europe is reshaping skills for the green transition.


What's on the table:


- How Erasmus+ is driving **real change in VET systems**
- Micro-credentials that work in practice (not just on paper)
- How to make skills **recognised, portable & usable across Europe**
- What policy needs to shift for **real upskilling in construction & green sectors**

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Webinar Event: “Reskilling for the Green Transition: What Erasmus+ projects can teach European Policy”

Agenda, 28th of May 2026



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10:00 AM CET

Welcome and framing: VET innovation in the European Education Area: where do Erasmus+ projects fit? (*Francesco Lembo, ACR+*)

10:05 AM CET

Green Circle: Implementing microcredentials to develop a green skills ecosystem in the construction sector (*Ana Dias, TecMinho*)

10:20 AM CET

MASTERY: Designing microcredentials and the Policy framework for quality, recognition (*Ivana Russiello, Sistemi Formativi Confindustria*)

10:35 AM CET

COVE BuildSkills Academy: Institutional embedding and the BESM methodology. How BSA upgrades construction curricula (*Maria Nakova, Cleantech Bulgaria*)

10:50 AM CET

MoU signing: Strategic cooperation for upskilling and reskilling through microcredentials (*Ivana Russiello, Sistemi Formativi Confindustria*)

11:05 AM CET

Joint positioning on the Union of Skills initiative: learn about other initiatives (*Anna Moreno, IBIMI*)

11:15 AM CET

Open discussion: From experimentation to system change. What European policy levers are needed?

Closing Remarks

BAU ABC Working Meeting — From Ideas to Practice



As part of the ongoing activities of **WP5 – Piloting Micro-credentials and Developing a Guide**, the BAU ABC working meeting focused on testing training methodologies and assessment approaches under realistic implementation conditions within the construction sector.

The meeting brought **together project partners, trainers, and technical experts** to explore how vocational education and training systems can better respond to the demands of the green transition through practical application, competence-based learning, and digital certification tools. The activities combined **technical presentations, simulation exercises, assessment methodologies, and discussions** on the comparability and recognition of micro-credentials across Europe.



🗨️ Main activities implemented

- Practical demonstrations related to sustainable paving systems and rainwater absorption processes
- Simulation activities analysing infiltration performance and water absorption under real conditions
- Comparative discussions on assessment methodologies and micro-credential implementation across participating countries
- Development of certificate templates, EUROPASS integration procedures, and digital certification processes including e-seals
- Review of quality assurance practices and comparability of vocational training approaches within VET systems



📌 Main findings and outcomes

The workshop highlighted the growing importance of aligning vocational training with practical implementation environments and measurable competences. Partners discussed how micro-credentials can support more flexible, transparent, and practice-oriented learning pathways within the construction sector. Emphasis was placed on:

- Strengthening comparability of assessment methods across countries
- Supporting the integration of digital certification tools within VET systems
- Enhancing the transferability and recognition of green skills across different professional contexts





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The Green Circle project is currently developing a series of short interview-based podcasts focused on how the green transition is being implemented in practice across Europe. The initiative aims to create a space for professionals, practitioners, trainers, and project partners to share experiences, practical insights, and implementation perspectives emerging from vocational education, construction, sustainability, and green skills development environments.

Who can participate

We invite contributions from:

- Construction and infrastructure practitioners
- VET trainers, educators, and skills development experts
- Sustainability and circular economy specialists
- EU project partners and field-based implementers

Objective of the series

The podcast series aims to connect policy, vocational training, and field implementation by transforming operational experience into shared and transferable knowledge. The initiative also seeks to increase the visibility of implementation practices and support knowledge exchange across countries and sectors involved in the green transition. Through these discussions, the project aims to highlight practical experiences that can contribute to the ongoing development of green skills policies and vocational education methodologies in Europe.

Why participate

Participation in the series will help to:

- Increase visibility of implementation practices and field experience
- Support knowledge exchange across countries and sectors
- Contribute to evidence-based approaches for green skills and VET systems
- Amplify the perspectives of professionals directly involved in delivering the green transition

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