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Europe-Wide Digital Platform to Connect WBL Stakeholders Now Live

Three CPD courses, a Quality Assurance Toolkit and the project's research are now available in one place, free to access.

Inside the WBL Champion Online Learning Platform

WBL Champion has launched the WBL Champion Online Learning Platform, a free digital hub designed to support educators, academic supervisors, coordinators and industry mentors in delivering high-quality Work-Based Learning (WBL).

Developed as part of the Erasmus+ funded WBL Champion project, the platform brings together professional development courses, practical quality assurance guidance, and the project's research and insights in one accessible online space, available at platform.wbl-champion.eu.

Discover More

Professional development for those delivering WBL

At the centre of the platform are the project's three Continuous Professional Development (CPD) courses, each built for a different role in the WBL process:

Academic coordinators: Learn how to plan and coordinate WBL activities, work with companies, manage documentation, and prepare students and partners for the WBL experience.

Academic supervisors: Enhance your supervision, communication, feedback and student engagement practices, with practical tools to support students throughout their placement.

Company mentors and industry tutors: Discover practical strategies for delivering effective mentorship, giving feedback and supporting meaningful learning outcomes in the workplace.

A central hub for WBL resources

Beyond the CPD courses, the platform provides access to a range of resources developed through the WBL Champion project:

The Quality Assurance (QA) Toolkit: A practical guidance for designing, implementing, assessing and continuously improving WBL programmes, helping higher education institutions and industry partners establish effective quality assurance processes.

The Final Country Report on National and EU WBL Policies, including best practices: A comparative analysis of WBL across Ireland, Italy, Malta and Portugal, identifying challenges, national and European policy approaches, and recommendations.

A resource on six redesigned academic programmes, developed by Knights College and Technological University Dublin, incorporating WBL interventions shaped by input from industry, academics and students.

Free access for educators and industry professionals

The platform is free to access, with users able to register and explore the CPD courses and project resources according to their own professional needs. It is aimed primarily at higher education professionals and industry mentors, but is also open to other organisations and professionals interested in developing their understanding and practice of Work-Based Learning.

Why it matters

Academic coordinators, supervisors and mentors

The platform gives coordinators, supervisors and mentors a single, free destination for the professional development their roles call for, available on their own schedule and requiring no prior training in supervision or mentoring methodology.

Higher education institutions

It gives institutions a ready-made professional development resource for academic staff and partner mentors, one that can be built into existing induction and CPD frameworks without the cost of building or commissioning one internally.

Industry partners and employers

The QA Toolkit and the mentor CPD course, in particular, make it easier to host a successful WBL placement and more likely that employers will want to do it again.

Policymakers and system actors

The platform is a concrete, freely accessible example of what cross-border Erasmus+ collaboration can produce: training, research and quality assurance guidance developed jointly by four countries and made available to any institution that wants to use it.

Accessing the WBL Champion Online Learning Platform

The WBL Champion Online Learning Platform is free and readily available. We encourage colleagues, programme leaders and partner institutions to:

- Explore the platform and access the resources: platform.wbl-champion.eu
- Register and complete a CPD course relevant to your role
- Share the platform with colleagues, partner institutions or organisations who host WBL placement
- Download and apply the QA Toolkit within your own WBL programmes
- Follow WBL Champion for further updates as the project reaches its conclusion

Access the Platform

One global, unified perspective

The platform brings together the outputs of a four-country partnership in one place: VITECO (Italy), Knights College (Malta), Technological University Dublin (Ireland) and INOVA+ (Portugal). It reflects national research and practice from all four countries rather than a single national tradition, and making it freely available follows the Erasmus+ commitment to open access and the widest possible dissemination of project results.

A learning platform built to empower

The WBL Champion Online Learning Platform is built to be used, not just browsed. By bringing training, tools, research and practical guidance together in one place, it aims to make it easier for education professionals and industry mentors to access resources they can apply directly to their WBL activities, wherever in Europe they are working from.

Follow us on social media for regular updates on course launch announcements, access opportunities, and ongoing WBL resources:

By following the WBL Champion project, you'll be the first to know when courses launch on the digital platform, and when additional resources are released. You'll also be part of a growing community of educators rethinking how we prepare students for real work.

WBL Champion Project partners: VITECO (Italy), KNIGHTS College (Malta), INOVA+ (Portugal), and Technological University Dublin (Ireland).

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