

National VET Team Activities 2024

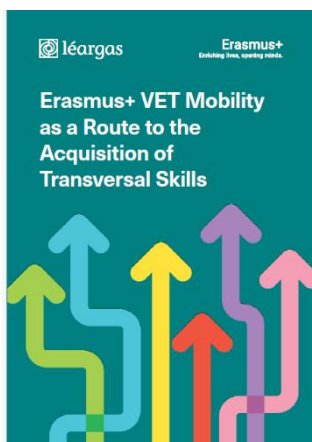
1. NAPD Conference - Presenting Transversal Skills Report, 10th and 11th April, Trim

Deirdre Finlay, Head of Sectoral Programmes for Education and Training at Léargas, presented 2023 Léargas report titled 'Erasmus+ VET Mobility as a Route to the Acquisition of Transversal Skills' at the 2024 FET Colleges Ireland Conference on 10 and 11 April in Trim, Co Meath.

The 2024 annual FET Colleges Ireland Conference focused on transversal skills, their importance in the modern educational systems, and how transversal skills can be fostered through participation in Erasmus Programme and the emergence of new Tertiary degrees.



Conference booklet [Final Draft FETCI NAPD Conference April 2024.pdf](#)



2. What's new in KA2? 22 April, Zoom

3. FET Network Meeting 26 April, Zoom

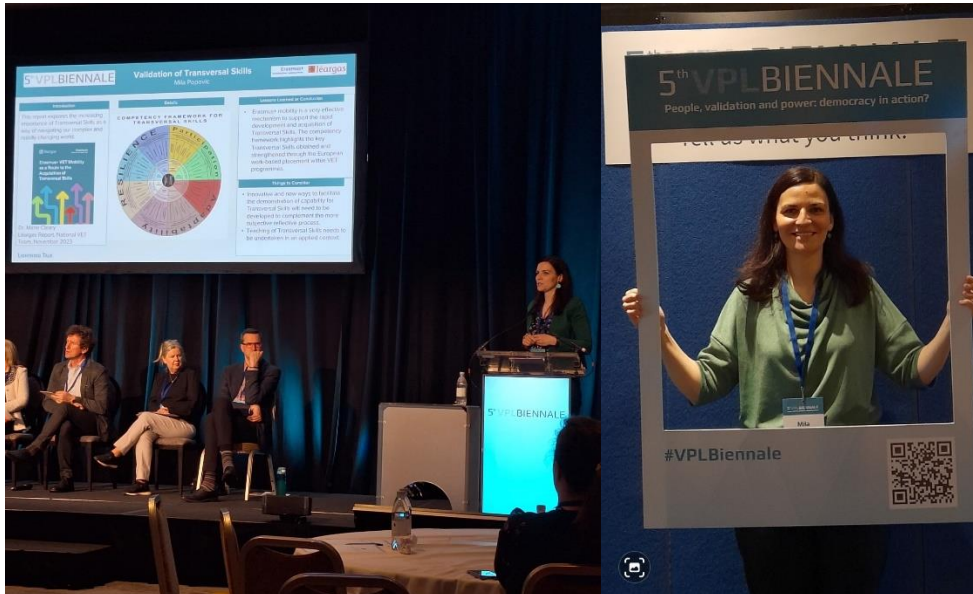
Mila Popovic presented 2023 Léargas report titled 'Erasmus+ VET Mobility as a Route to the Acquisition of Transversal Skills' at the What's new in VET Partnerships Webinar on 22 April and at the FET Network Webinar on 26 April 2024.

4. 5th VPL Biennale – Presenting Transversal Skills Framework

5th VPL Biennale, May 6-8 May 2024, Kilkenny Ireland

Contributing to the Biennale conference theme ‘People, Validation and Power: Democracy in Action? Mila Popovic presented the Erasmus+ VET Mobility report focusing on the Transversal Skills Competency Framework.

The framework maps out the transversal skills developed during the process of VET mobility and seeks to assist the learners in articulating their skills and recognising their learning.



5. Riga - Capacity Building for Future Success VET Team Meeting 16-17 May Riga

"JOINT INSPIRATION FOR FUTURE SUCCESS" VET Teams' meeting 16-17 May in Riga, Latvia

From 16 to 17 May, National VET Teams from six countries Estonia, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania, Romania and Finland met at the conference "Joint Inspiration for Future Success" in Riga, organized by the State Education Development Agency (VIAA) VET LV Team.



6. ESB Networks Apprentice Network Technician of the Year Thursday 23 May, Portlaoise

Mila Popovic attended ESB Networks Apprentice Network Technician of the Year competition in Portlaoise.



7. FET Sustainability Webinar 30 May Zoom

VET Team was thrilled to organise “Embedding Sustainability in Erasmus+ Projects in FET” webinar on Thursday 30 May from 3-4pm.

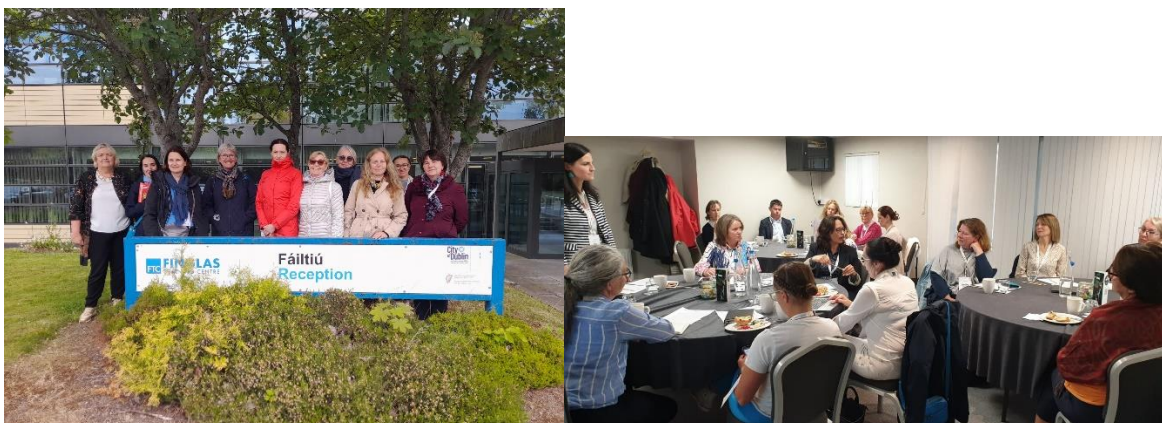
This online event was facilitated by Paul Crewe from the Development Perspectives and explored the principles of Sustainable Development in order to understand what environmental sustainability is and why it is important. The webinar also highlighted examples and resources that would assist participants in embedding environmental sustainability in their Erasmus+ projects.

Presentation here [Embedding sustainability In FET Presentation.pdf](#)

8. Estonian VET Team Visit 11-13 June, Dublin Ireland

Irish National VET Team welcomed Estonian VET team delegation for a productive and inspiring study visit from 11-13 June. During the three action packed days, Estonian VET Team engaged in networking and conversation with their Irish counterparts, visited Finglas Training Centre and Blackrock Institute of Further Education, as well as enjoyed walking history tour of Dublin.

Photos here: [Promotion Photos](#)



9. Toolkit Development Workshop with VET Team 9 August, Online

Irish National VET Team met with Marie Cleary to brainstorm Transversal Skills Toolkit.

The Toolkit will be based on the Transversal Skills Framework and will identify activities and resources that can be used pre, during and post Erasmus+ VET mobility, in order to encourage the development of transversal skills.

10. VET Team Transversal Skills Toolkit Development Seminar 20 September, Athlone

Irish national VET Team organised a Toolkit Development Seminar, an informal and collaborative event facilitated by the Transversal Skills report author Marie Cleary, that focused on identifying and testing activities and exercises that would be included in The Toolkit. VET practitioners, researchers, experts or Erasmus+ coordinators were involved in collaborative development of this timely resource in Athlone.



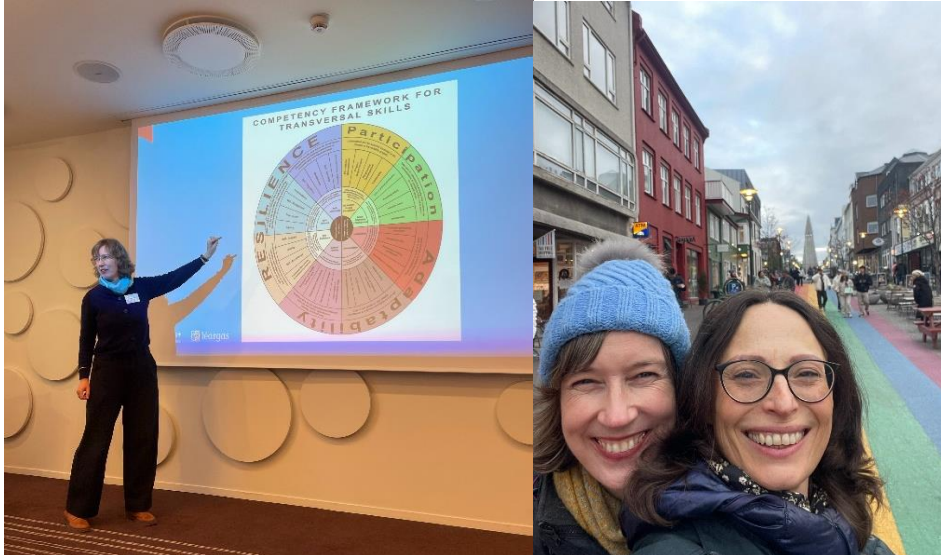
11. VET Team Study Visit to Tallinn, 14-16 October Tallinn, Estonia

In 2024, National VET Team engaged in reciprocal study visits with our colleagues from Estonia. Irish VET Team welcomed Estonian VET Team to Dublin in June, and our colleagues reciprocated with a productive and inspiring visit to Tallinn in October. Study visits created wonderful opportunities for both teams to learn about each other's VET systems, the relationship between national and European policy and the VET provision, and the positive impact of Erasmus+ participation in both countries. Overall, the study visits were inspiring and fruitful, and we are delighted that we had this wonderful opportunity to share our best practices and the common challenges with our Estonian colleagues.



12. Irish VET Team at the Nordic Baltic VET Meeting, 15-16 October, Reykjavik, Iceland

Elva Duggan and Florence Magee attended the Nordic Baltic VET Meeting in Iceland and presented VET Team Transversal Skills Report



13. Irish VET Team at the Apprenticeships TCA, 12-15 November, Bordeaux, France



14. Irish VET Team presenting Transversal Skills Report in Vilnius 29 November, Online



15. Transversal Skills Toolkit Soft Launch, 13 December, Dublin

VET Team met for the final knowledge sharing session of 2024 and to launch our new resource, Transversal Skills Toolkit!

