

EPSU joins major European project on health workers' skills



Blueprint Alliance For A Future Health Workforce Strategy On Digital And Green Skills: BeWell project kicked-off

Ensuring training provision for health workers meets current and future demands is a major issue and EPSU is pleased to be involved with a new European Union-funded project that will attempt to address this challenge.

EPSU and the HOSPEEM health employers' organisation, are associate partners in the BeWell project that was launched last month and aims to create a blueprint for upskilling and reskilling health workforce in preparation for the green and digital transitions.

Led by the European Health Management Association (EHMA), the Europe-wide consortium includes employers, trade unions, professional organisations, civil society bodies, research institutions, vocational education and training providers, higher education institutions and health authorities. Funded by the Erasmus+ programme, BeWell is supported by three Directorates Generals of the European Commission including SANTE (health), GROW (competition), and EMPL (employment).

The [kick-off meeting](#) for the four-year project took place on 14 July and involved detailed discussions on the various work packages, timelines, milestones while also agreeing on fundamental principles that should guide the project. There are nine work packages and EPSU will be mainly involved developing a skills strategy (WP3), piloting delivery of core curricula and training programmes (WP6) and sustainability and exploitation (WP8).

Partners will next meet in Brussels in October to begin working on the skills strategy. The first step will be to identify healthcare priorities, emerging occupations and needs. The first version of the strategy should be ready by June 2023 and this will then go through various stages of evaluation and validation. A large-scale online consultation will be held in June 2024, with EPSU affiliates likely to be involved in giving their feedback.

More information about the project is available [here](#).

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