

Dear Sir/Madame,

Today we are glad to launch our first **EQ-WOOD Newsletter** to introduce you the EQ-WOOD project and next steps to realize.

EQ-WOOD (European Qualifications for the WOODwork and furniture industry) is an Erasmus + project aimed to tackle innovation capacity and competitiveness of EU wood and furniture industry by designing and delivering the curriculum of [Innovation Advisor](#) in the Wood and Furniture Industry. It helps managing innovation by merging green, digital and marketing skills, and provide learners with specific competences required by the sector evolution in Europe.

EQ-WOOD partners believe that a comprehensive and coherent action has to be urgently undertaken in the field of qualifications and training provision at European level, so that the project works to permanently integrate the profile of Innovation Advisor into VET education and training systems in project countries and throughout Europe. The [Innovation Advisor](#) curriculum is offered both as a [Full Qualification](#), mainly addressed to young people, and as a set of independent learning modules mainly addresses to Continuing Professional Development of adult workers.

EQ- WOOD leverages innovative practices of VET through a combination of classroom base and e-learning in an international community of practice. The proposed qualification is coherent with EU instruments for mobility and transparency (EQF, EQAVET, ECVET), and its validation and recognition are a crucial part of the project.

Furthermore, the project supports the development of a European Sectoral QUALIFICATION AND Training Network in the Wood and Furniture Industry, though to be able to design and provide training, and to maintain and update those sectoral qualifications more frequently subject to change as a result of technology and market improvements.

The EQ-Wood Partners consortium consists of representative associations and confederations of the woodworking and furniture industry in Europe (FEDERLEGNOARREDO, Hungarian Association of Furniture and Woodworking, BBCWFI, CCI LYON), a group of VET providers (WOODWIZE, CONFORM, ITPIO, IPRA) and a network of sectoral innovation support centres (AIDIMME, INNOVAWOOD ASBL) with a strong expertise in wood sector innovation and opportunities, dual learning, transnational mobility, internationalization, digital skills and entrepreneurship.

In January 2018 the EQ-WOOD partners met in Bruxelles for the first Kick-off of the project and started the implementation of the first EQ-WOOD activities.





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Best Regards,

EQ-WOOD Partners

