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BestAI Empowerment Blueprint

Strengthening collaboration for the future of AI in Vocational Education and Social Entrepreneurship

BestAI is entering its final phase!

After developing the Empowerment Toolkit, 20 challenge-based WebQuests, and the Guidelines for VET Providers, the BestAI project now brings together its experience and stakeholder insights in its final strategic output:

The BestAI Empowerment Blueprint



A strategic framework designed to strengthen collaboration between VET providers, technology companies, social entrepreneurs, and other key stakeholders working to shape the future of AI and social entrepreneurship.

The Blueprint looks beyond the development of individual training resources. It focuses on how education, technology, and the social economy can work together to create more relevant, inclusive, and future-ready learning opportunities that respond to evolving labour market and societal needs.

What is the BestAI Empowerment Blueprint?

The Blueprint is a strategic document that provides recommendations and practical directions for strengthening the integration of AI into Vocational Education and Training and supporting social entrepreneurship.

It aims to help stakeholders:

- Strengthen cooperation between VET, technology, and social economy actors.
- Develop educational opportunities that respond to changing labour market needs.
- Promote the responsible and meaningful use of AI in VET.
- Identify the skills and competences needed for the future.
- Support innovation in social entrepreneurship through education and technology.

At its core, the Blueprint connects education, technology, and social impact.

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Why does collaboration matter?

AI is rapidly changing the skills, tools, and working practices needed across different sectors.

For VET systems to respond effectively, education providers cannot work in isolation.

Closer collaboration with technology companies, social enterprises, policymakers, public authorities, and other stakeholders can help ensure that training opportunities reflect real-world developments and prepare learners for emerging professional contexts.

The BestAI Blueprint explores how these connections can be strengthened and transformed into meaningful opportunities for cooperation.

What will you find in the Blueprint?

The Blueprint brings together insights and recommendations around key questions for the future of AI in VET and social entrepreneurship.

It explores:

AI competences for the future



What emerging AI skills should be prioritised in VET programmes?

Responsible AI



How can ethical, transparent, inclusive, and sustainable AI use become part of future training?

Future-ready education



How can VET providers adapt educational offers to respond to changing labour market needs?

AI for social good



How can AI contribute to social entrepreneurship, social innovation, and the green and digital transitions?

Cross-sector collaboration



What mechanisms can connect VET providers with technology companies and social entrepreneurship organisations?

Policy and strategic recommendations



What actions, partnerships, funding opportunities, and implementation approaches can support wider AI adoption in VET?

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Developed through stakeholder consultation

The Blueprint builds on the experience and resources developed throughout the BestAI project, but also on the knowledge and perspectives of strategic stakeholders.

Through the BestAI Strategic Consultation on AI Integration in Vocational Education and Training for Social Entrepreneurship, stakeholders from areas including VET, technology, social entrepreneurship, and public policy contributed their perspectives on:

- Future AI competences
- Ethical and responsible AI
- Labour market needs
- Collaboration between sectors
- Barriers to AI adoption
- Funding and support mechanisms
- The future of AI in VET



Their contributions helped ensure that the Blueprint responds to real challenges, opportunities, and needs across the European VET and social entrepreneurship ecosystem.

Who is the Blueprint for?

The BestAI Empowerment Blueprint is particularly relevant for:

- Policymakers and public authorities working on education, skills, digitalisation, and social innovation
- Technology companies and AI experts interested in collaboration with education and social economy actors
- VET managers and providers developing future-oriented educational offers
- Social entrepreneurs and organisations exploring the potential of AI for social impact
- VET trainers and educators preparing learners for an AI-driven labour market
- Regional and national stakeholders supporting skills development and innovation

Whether you are designing policy, developing training, building partnerships, or exploring new opportunities for social innovation, the Blueprint provides a strategic starting point.

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Why it matters

The future of AI in VET will not be shaped by technology alone.

It will depend on how effectively educators, technology experts, social entrepreneurs, policymakers, and learners work together to make AI useful, responsible, inclusive, and relevant to real-world needs.

The BestAI Empowerment Blueprint provides recommendations and ideas to help make that collaboration stronger.









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Explore the BestAI Empowerment Blueprint

Discover the recommendations, explore the proposed cooperation mechanisms, and find inspiration for strengthening AI-driven, socially responsible innovation in VET.

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