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Deliverable 3.3.1 Graduate Tracking Questionnaire

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Introduction

Welcome,

you are asked to fill-in the current survey as a graduate from our institution (or: Name of VET provider).

This survey aims to gather feedback on the courses provided by us and track the progress of graduates in employment and further education and training, which together provides us with valuable data for the continuing improvement of our educational offer.

It should take 10-15 minutes to fill in the survey. By participating, you will help us to improve our training programmes and services.

You can participate in the survey anonymously and it is up to you to provide us with your contact details, if you want to stay in contact. In any case, the elaboration of the survey results will be done in a strictly confidential way.

Thank you so much for your time!

Part A: Education & Competences

A.1. In which year did you graduate?

Choose year from list (2015-2020)

A.2. Please insert the name of the VET provider

A.3. What was your field of training/study at ... (name of VET provider)?

Choose year from list:

business administration, personal services, transport services, cooking, transport and logistics, forestry/gardening and masonry, engineering and engineering trades. A.4. What was your motivation to enrol at ... (name of VET Provider) (multiple answers possible)?

- ☐ to improve my skills
- ☐ to improve my employment prospects
- ☐ to improve my status in my current job
- ☐ pressure of family/friends
- ☐ to improve my salary
- ☐ other, please specify:

A.5 Did you take further steps in education/training after completing the course at (VET provider)?

- ☐ Yes, at (VET provider)
- ☐ Yes, with a different provider
- ☐ Not decided yet
- ☐ No further education

A.6: How would you rate your own competences, acquired during the course/training, at the time you completed your course/training at (name of VET institution)?

Competences	Very strong	Strong	Neutral	Weak	Very weak	Not applicable
Digital competence						
Foreign language competence						
Occupation-related competence						
Team-working competence						
Decision-making and problem-solving competence						
Communication competence						
Responsibility						
Other, please specify						

A.7. What skills and competences acquired during your course / training have proved to be most useful for your future job? Please list them.

A.8: Did you do an internship / participate in a work placement during your training at (VET provider)?

- ☐ YES

☐ NO

A.9: How satisfied were you with the quality of your internship?

1 = Very dissatisfied..... 5 = Very satisfied

A.9.1: What did you like most about your internship/placement? (optional open question)

A.9.2: What could have been improved?

A.9.3: Were you hired by the company you did your internship/work placement in after completing your training/course?

☐ YES

☐ NO

A.10: Overall, how satisfied are you with the education and training you received at ... (VET provider)?

1 = Very dissatisfied..... 5 = Very satisfied

A.11: How satisfied were you with the following aspects regarding your training at (VET provider)

Topic	<i>Very satisfied</i>	<i>satisfied</i>	<i>unsatisfied</i>	<i>Very unsatisfied</i>	<i>I do not know / Not applicable</i>
Clear rules on the structure and organization of training					
General atmosphere in the VET institution					
Competences of teaching staff					
General relationship between teachers and students					
Professional knowledge taught					
Level of practice-orientation					
Training facilities for practical training					
Support for finding adequate work placements / internships					
Digital training resources available (e.g., e-learning)					
Information about further training available					
Collaboration between training institution and employers in the professional field					
Use of learner-centered approaches					
Support for transition to employment after					

acquiring qualification					
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Part B: Employment

B.1: Please tick your current main employment status and specify:

- ☐ Employed –
 - ☐ Temporary contract
 - ☐ Permanent contract
 - ☐ Self-employed
- ☐ Unemployed
 - ☐ Studying
 - ☐ Looking for a job
 - ☐ Other (gap year, sabbatical, parental leave, sick leave, ...)

B.1.1.: If you are not employed: were you employed at any time after completing your study?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

B.2: What difficulties did you experience when looking for a job?

- ☐ I did not experience any difficulties
- ☐ It takes / took too long to find one
- ☐ employers not interested in my qualification
- ☐ employers not interested in my area of specialization
- ☐ perceived gender preferences among employers
- ☐ perceived age preferences among employers
- ☐ lack of work experience
- ☐ limited employment opportunities in my field
- ☐ not possessing the required qualification
- ☐ other, please specify:

B.3: If you are currently employed, approximately how many months passed between the time you completed your course and your first paid job?

- ☐ Already had a job
- ☐ 1 month or less
- ☐ 2-6 months
- ☐ 7-12 months
- ☐ More than 12 months

B.4.: How did you access the job?

- ☐ Through the VET institution
- ☐ Family and friends

- ☐ Employment agency
- ☐ Free labour market
- ☐ I am self-employed

B.5: What subject/s in your course helped you most in your work?

Open answer (list can be provided optionally)

B.6: Have your expectations for first salary after graduation been met?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Can't say

B.7: Is your job related to the professional field of your study/training at...(name of school)...

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

B.7.1 If yes, to what extent is the work content in your current job related to your previous training/study at (VET provider)?

- ☐ Closely related
- ☐ Partly related

B.8: To what extent are the following competences important in your current main job?

Competences	Very important	Important	Neutral	Not very important	Not important
Digital competence					
Foreign language competence					
Occupation-related competence					
Team-working competence					
Decision-making and problem-solving competence					
Communication competence					
Responsibility					
Other, please specify					

Part C: Demography

C 1: What is your year of birth?

Choose from list: 1961 (year-by-year) or before 1961

C 2: What is your gender?

- ☐ Male
- ☐ Female
- ☐ Other

C 3: What is your current place of residence?

- ☐ the same as the place of training completed
- ☐ other

Part D: Contact

D 1: We would be happy to stay in contact with you. Please provide us with the relevant details (email, phone number, etc.):

D.2 Please provide a general feedback on the questionnaire.

Thank you for your participation!