

# POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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### LEARNING FOR THE GREEN TRANSITION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Europeans rank climate change among the most serious problems facing us today. Education & training, for SMEs, must take action to respond to this challenge.



### GREENCOMP: THE EUROPEAN SUSTAINABILITY COMPETENCE FRAMEWORK.

It responds to the growing need for people to improve and develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes to live, work and act in a sustainable manner.

### THIS PROJECT SUPPORTS EU MEMBER STATES IN THEIR EFFORTS TO

- To equip learners and educators with the knowledge, skills and attitudes needed for a greener and more sustainable economy and society
- help education and training institutions to integrate sustainability into teaching and learning and across all aspects of their operations
- create a shared understanding on the deep and transformative changes needed in education and training for sustainability and the green transition

### GREENCOMP'S 12 COMPETENCES MIRROR THE PROJECTS LEARNING OUTCOMES

- valuing sustainability
- supporting fairness
- promoting nature
- systems thinking
- critical thinking
- problem framing
- futures literacy
- adaptability
- exploratory thinking
- political agency
- collective action
- individual initiative



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Education for Sustainable Development.

ESD empowers learners with knowledge, skills, values and attitudes to take informed decisions and make responsible actions for environmental integrity, economic viability and a just society for all. These values align with the EcoSME Project.



### Priority Action Areas

1. Advancing Policy
2. Transforming Learning Environments
3. Building Capacities of Educators
4. Empowering and Mobilising Young People
5. Accelerating Local Level actions

### Erasmus+ Projects for Environmental Sustainability.

The topic of environmental sustainability is popular among EU Projects. The goal of having a greener Europe is a strategic objective of Erasmus+. This policy informed the formation of the EcoSME objectives and learning outcomes.

### ERASMUS+ PRIORITIES

- Enabling 'greener' projects and encouraging environmentally sustainable and responsible behaviour among participants and participating organisations;
- Supporting innovation and technology through projects and activities that boost digital skills, foster digital literacy and develop understanding of the risks and opportunities of digital technology;
- Promoting the participation of young people in democratic processes and civic engagement.