

Leonardo da Vinci Programme

The Leonardo da Vinci is a part of EU's Lifelong Learning Programme. Leonardo promotes transnational mobility for pupils in vocational education and training. The programme supports several actions, which are addressed to individuals as well as to public and private actors. The programme consists of the following actions:

- **Mobility** ó enable people to train abroad
- **Partnership** ó organizations from different European countries can work in the vocational education and training sector (small ó scale actions)
- **Multilateral projects** ó organizations from different European countries can work together to develop working practices (large - scale actions)

The next **deadline** is February 2011. The **financial support** depends on type of project.

Sørlandets Europakontor can assist on the following areas:

- ✓ **Application process for Leonardo da Vinci projects**
- ✓ **Development of the application**
- ✓ **Finding partners**

Leonardo da Vinci funded actions:

1. There are several possibilities to participate in **Mobility** actions:
 - *People in Initial Vocational Training (IVT)* ó facilitate the mobility of working trainees; personal development, employability and participation in the European Labor Market. More about that action on: http://ec.europa.eu/education/leonardo-da-vinci/doc1027_en.htm
 - *People in the Labor Market (PLM)*- support for individuals after graduation in higher education or in vocational training to boost employment potential by a work ó related training abroad. More about that action on: http://ec.europa.eu/education/leonardo-da-vinci/doc1029_en.htm
 - *Professionals in Vocational Education and Training (VETPRO)* ó support of transnational mobility of people responsible for vocational training and/or human

resources. Individual trainers, teachers or other persons responsible for Vocational training issues will exchange experiences with their counterparts in other countries with the aim of mutual learning. It can also cover vocational language learning of Professional. More about that action on: http://ec.europa.eu/education/leonardo-da-vinci/doc1031_en.htm

- *Mobility certificates* ó it can cover several target groups (IVT, PLM, VETPRO) if project applications exist for those groups. More about that action on: http://ec.europa.eu/education/leonardo-da-vinci/doc1023_en.htm
 - *Preparatory Visits* ó support for institutions eligible for the Leonardo da Vinci Programme to establish a new Mobility project, Partnership project, Transfer of Innovation Project, Development of Innovation project, Thematic Network project or Accompanying Measure project to contact and meet suitable partner institutions and/or develop a workplan in order to prepare the project/partnership application. More about that action on: http://ec.europa.eu/education/leonardo-da-vinci/doc1025_en.htm
2. Leonardo da Vinci **Partnerships** is focused on small-cooperation activities between organizations (5-6 partners in education, business and/or public administration). More information about the project cooperation on: http://ec.europa.eu/education/leonardo-da-vinci/doc1033_en.htm
3. In **Multilateral projects** organizations from different European countries can be involved in following projects focusing on:
- *Development of innovation* ó projects that aim to boost the quality of training system and promoting innovation in vocational training. The action is open for students, managers, trainers and advisors. Innovation projects are crucial to the program. More about that action on: http://ec.europa.eu/education/leonardo-da-vinci/doc1037_en.htm
 - *Transfer of innovation* - the goal of that action is to improve the quality and attractiveness of the European VET system by adapting and integrating innovative content or results from previous Leonardo da Vinci Projects, or from other innovative projects into public and/or private vocational training systems and companies at the national, local, regional, or sectoral level. More about that action on: http://ec.europa.eu/education/leonardo-da-vinci/doc1035_en.htm

- *Thematic networks* ó the aim of it is to strengthen link between different actors involved in VET. Partnership must be multiplayer and it may include: local authorities, chambers of commerce, trade organizations for employers and employees (social partners), companies, including SMEs, NGOs and research and vocational training centers, including universities. More information about that action on: http://ec.europa.eu/education/leonardo-da-vinci/doc1039_en.htm
- *Accompanying measures* ó support for actions which promote the objectives and results of Leonardo da Vinci projects. More about that action on: http://ec.europa.eu/education/leonardo-da-vinci/doc1041_en.htm

How to apply?

There are three ways in the process of application:

- Those activities (in particular exchanges and study visits), which are decentralized should be sent to the National Agency in each participating country (individuals, multilateral projects, partnerships and preparatory visits): <http://www.siu.no/llp>
- Several activities (different than exchanges and study visits), which are centralized (in particular large-scale projects such as multilateral projects and networks) should be sent to the EU's Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency: <http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/llp>
- Additionally, individual who want to participate in exchanges or in projects need to apply directly to the project organizers (such as universities, schools etc.)

Funding

The financial support is based on a minimum number of trips to be undertaken during the project period:

- ✓ At least 4 travels - a support equal amount of 7 000 EUR
- ✓ At least 8 travels - a corresponding amount of support at 12 000 EUR
- ✓ At least 12 travels - an equivalent amount of support at 16 000 EUR
- ✓ At least 24 travels - an equivalent amount of support at 22 000 EUR

The information about financial support relating to each initiative are available on the Norwegian National Agency web-page:

- Mobility projects: information about the support on:
<http://www.siu.no/var/plain/storage/original/application/aa5bd0039f4960406ec8f94a07f76551.pdf>
- Partnership: information about the support on:
<http://www.siu.no/no/Programoversikt/EU-program/Leonardo-da-Vinci/Partnerskap>
- Development of innovation: around 1,2 million euro per year up to two years of activity. 25% is own impact: <http://www.siu.no/no/Programoversikt/EU-program/Leonardo-da-Vinci/Videreutviklings-prosjekter>

Deadline for the submission of applications

- The next deadline for Leonardo da Vinci actions is **February 2011**.
- In Preparatory Visits - no later than **six weeks before** the intended departure date.

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<http://www.south-norway.be/forside.aspx>

Useful links:

- **Sørlandets Europakontor:** <http://www.south-norway.be/forside.aspx>
- Partner search database:
<http://siu.no/var/plain/storage/original/application/3a1ffbf2d72f116cc0562810f390e01a.pdf>

- Norwegian National Agency: <http://www.siu.no/llp>
- EU's Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency:
<http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/llp>

