

AGENDA

TITLE:

Local level active role in fostering Adult Learning and Education

22.10.2026, 11.00-12.30 CET IN ZOOM

SUMMARY:

The Governance Learning, Action and Dialogues (GLAD) network, launched by the European Training Foundation (ETF) in 2022, supports system-level reforms in vocational education and training (VET), lifelong learning (LLL) and employment policies in the partner countries of the EU.

GLAD promotes participatory approaches to the governance of VET, LLL and employment - in short, human capital development (HCD). To this end, it brings together state and non-state actors, including governmental and public institutions, social partners, business organisations, civil society representatives and practitioners that are committed to mutual learning and policy dialogue.

This GLAD webinar focuses on adult learning and education at local level. We discuss with the representatives of local governments and adult learning providers on what keeps from and makes to invest into adult education and learning; what kind of challenges and opportunities countries do have in common?

The webinar is jointly organised by ETF and DVV International based on their continuous cooperation in the field of adult learning and education. DVV International is the name under which the German Adult Education Association (DVV) is acting in development cooperation sector, with support of the German Federal Government. DVV International is currently working in around 30 countries of the world to strengthen their national adult learning and education systems.

The ETF has conducted a mapping of adult learning in the enlargement region, resulting in eight Adult Learning Factsheets and a cross-country analysis. This study was accompanied by a thematic paper that argues in favour of building proper adult learning systems. DVV International is regularly publishing studies, analysis, expert and position papers in the field of adult learning and education and lifelong learning. The recent publication with the title *“Local policies and practices in adult learning and education. Best practices from Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Kosovo, Moldova, and Ukraine”* will be in focus in the webinar. Besides, an expert paper of DVV International *“Adult learning and education as a responsibility of local authorities”* will be briefly presented during the event as well.

All participants in the webinar are invited to address questions to the speakers and contribute own knowledge and experience of the topic.

The webinar language will be English. Interpretation into BCMS and Russian will be provided. For Ukrainian participants it will be possible to ask questions and comment in Ukrainian.

Time	Agenda Item
11:00	Introduction to the GLAD webinar and the topic of local level's role in adult learning policies
11:05	Insights from the latest studies by DVVI and ETF on Adult Learning Mentimeter poll and Q&A
11:25	What and how can be done at local level for Adult Learning <i>Panel discussion with representatives of local authorities</i> Q&A
11:50	Key findings on local level's role from on ETF and DVV's recent studies on Adult Learning <i>Panel discussion with national experts</i> Q&A
12:15	Open discussion with participants
12:25	Wrap-up and final statements
12:30	End of the webinar