SKILLS DEVELOPMENT ACADEMY ON APPRENTICESHIPS AND RPL

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OVERVIEW
SNAPSHOT OF THE COURSE

The ITCILO, ILO’s Employment Department, Skills and Employability Branch and the European Training Foundation (ETF) join forces to organize this course as part of Centre’s Skills Development portfolio. Apprenticeships are at the heart of skills development policies, both in developing countries that need to upgrade informal apprenticeship and in emerging and developed economies, constantly in search of measures to link their training systems to rapidly changing labor markets. Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) is a policy tool that most countries want to fully implement to give their citizens the lifelong possibility to certify the skills developed outside of the formal education and training systems. The Academy will provide space for a reflection on how to overcome the existing challenges in this journey.

Join a network of skills development specialists in this highly specialized course.

WHAT
WHAT TOPICS DOES THIS COURSE COVER?

The Academy facilitates the development of a holistic understanding of policies and systems linked to the two main topics. It is structured with common sessions and elective modules on RPL and Quality Apprenticeships. For both, the following topics will be covered:

- The building blocks
- Governance and funding mechanisms, including regulatory frameworks
- Pedagogical aspects: delivery and assessment
- Challenges and trends

WHAT WILL I LEARN?

The course’s training materials are on the cutting-edge of quality apprenticeships and RPL-related research and policy-making, thanks to the collaboration between ILO and ETF. It will foster participants’ knowledge on different aspects:

- The conceptual background: definitions, models, approaches
- Quality assurance cycle
- Social dialogue and stakeholders’ coordination
- International labor standards on the topic
- Monitoring and evaluation systems

WHAT WILL I BE ABLE TO DO?

Participants leave this course connected to a global network of skills development professionals and they will be able to improve their contribution to the design and implementation of quality apprenticeships and RPL policies and programs by:

- Handling diagnostic tools to identify bottlenecks and possible solutions to the challenges their systems are facing
- Fostering inter-country partnerships
- Identifying emerging issues and initial ideas for solutions
- Mastering concrete tools and instruments related to quality apprenticeships and RPL implementation

**WHY**

**WHY SHOULD I JOIN?**

- The course has a hands-on approach, highlighting best practices and offering tools and methodologies that will help participants in their everyday work
- Participants are encouraged to share individual and national experiences during the training days, thus building an international community of practice
- Given its high-quality contents developed by two prominent actors in the field (ETF and ILO), the course brings participants at the heart of current debate and of policy options that are being successfully tested.

**WHO**

**WHO TAKES THIS COURSE?**

- Policy makers and technical advisors of Ministries working in the area of skills development, TVET, qualifications and RPL, work-based learning and apprenticeships
- Members of skills councils, national TVET authorities or similar institutions
- Representatives of workers’ and employers’ organizations involved in apprenticeships
- Experts and technical staff from CSOs, NGOs and other civil society actors, working in the field of skills development, TVET, qualifications and RPL, work-based learning and apprenticeships.

**WHO ARE THE FACILITATORS?**

- Ashwani Aggarwal, ILO Geneva, Senior Skills and Employability Specialist
- Helmut Zelloth, ETF, Senior Specialist in VET Policies and Systems
- Stefan Thomas, ETF, Specialist in VET Policies and Systems
- Stefano Merante, ITCILO, TVET/Skills Development Programme Officer

**HOW TO APPLY**

Go to [https://oarf2.itcilo.org/STF/A9012880/en](https://oarf2.itcilo.org/STF/A9012880/en) to apply before 4 September 2020.

**PRICE**

Tuition: €1,650
Subsistence: €635
CAMPUS LIFE

A THRIVING UNITED NATIONS CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY OF PROFESSIONAL PEOPLE FROM AROUND THE WORLD

- Three organizations from the United Nations system on campus
- More than 300 training courses and activities in a stimulating international environment
- Thousands of participants from all over the world

ENVIRONMENT AND SURROUNDINGS

Grab a campus bicycle and explore the Turin Centre. Located in a leafy park on the banks of the Po River, it's a great place for study and collaboration. Experience innovative learning and training methods in modern classrooms equipped with simultaneous translation services.

HOUSING, DINING, AND MORE

Comprising more than 280 private dormitories, the Turin Campus provides a broad range of services for course participants and partners including a free-flow restaurant, bank, travel agency, laundromat, post office, gym, medical services and a reception desk open 24/7.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND DIVERSITY

Participants can enjoy social events organized by the Turin Centre as well as by their course facilitators. Whether on or off campus, people from different cultural backgrounds have the opportunity to listen to live music together, cook and share traditional foods, or team up to play games and network.

INFO

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

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