# Partner search from West Sweden

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| **Programme:** | Lifelong Learning Programme – Leonardo da Vinci Partnership |
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| **Organisation:** | **The Municipality of Kungsbacka** is located in the southwest of Sweden. The municipality has about 80 000 inhabitants. Kungsbacka Municipality lies 20 minutes from the City of Gothenburg, the second largest city in Sweden, with roughly 1 million people living in the greater Gothenburg area and 550 000 in the city.**Yrkeshögskolan Kungsbacka** (YK - the Vocational Education School in Kungsbacka) has approximately 200 students and offers eight educational programmes. The project idea outlined below concerns four of these programmes. These are construction, software testing, energy analyst (within constructions) and CAD-construction. The school has 20 employees, with valuable experience from diverse labour markets. |
| **Project idea:** | The Vocational Educational School in Kungsbacka Municipality is looking for European partners interested to participate in a project proposal within the frame of the **Leonardo da Vinci Partnership programme** with the aim develop and strengthen the quality and relevance of the VET in Kungsbacka and the participating VET providers.Today we are facing environmental challenges partly as a result of the use of fossil fuels. Europe is facing structural changes in the industry and there is a need to develop competence and find new methods within the area of energy/technology and innovation. This can be developed through an improved education which can contribute to the change or development of tasks and job descriptions. The partnership will therefore look to improve VET providers’ understanding of the skill-set and competences needed from the future workforce in the construction and energy/technology field to tackle the environmental problems we are facing. The project will hence look to develop curriculum for VET in line with the identified need of skill-sets and competences. The result of the project will be the creation of a curriculum for VET Energy analysts. Furthermore, the project will give all participating VET programmes a more distinct European dimension. **The objectives are therefore to:*** Improve the quality and innovation in VET in the area of new skills and competence in the field of energy/technology
* Strengthen the attractiveness of vocational education and training
* Enhance the mobility of VET staff

**Foreseen activities:**This project will bring representatives from different actors together. What they will all have in common is an interest in the above mentioned issues and in the future of VET.The main activities in the project will be the exchanges among the different partners and different seminars will also be organised in the participating countries. In the seminars the issues of environment, energy and alternative fuels and the demand on new competence will be discussed. Benchmarking and EQF and ECVET will be a starting point for exchange of knowledge. The result of the project will be the creation of a curriculum for VET Energy analysts.The target group of this project will be education managers and teachers at VET providers in the participating countries and development managers in relevant authorities and industrial enterprises. If you find this proposal interesting, please do not hesitate to make contact for further details as soon as possible and no later than the 21th of December. |
| **Partners searched:** | VET providers, industrial enterprises, and relevant authorities at local and regional level |
| **Key words:** | Vocational education, Sustainable development, renewable energy, industry |
| **Project period:** | September 2013- September 2015 |
| **Other information:** | * We have already today two potential partners, the Swedish Energy department and Campus Varberg. The latter is a dynamic and Prosperos college with a focus on innovations and project management. ([www.campus.varberg.se](http://www.campus.varberg.se)). Furthermore, we intend to cooperate with other VET providers and industrial companies within the field of energy and sustainable development.
* VET in Kungsbacka has earlier participated in an EU-project within the Leonardo da Vinci programme.
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