

The **Bridging Innovation and Learning in TVET (BILT)** project is funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) and implemented by UNESCO-UNEVOC with the support of the German Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB). It was launched in 2019 and runs until the end of 2025.

BILT leverages the unique global UNEVOC Network to bring together TVET stakeholders of all levels. In this regard, BILT serves as a policy and peer learning platform for TVET stakeholders in Africa, Asia-Pacific and Europe. It helps them address current challenges in TVET systems arising from technological, social,



environmental and workplace changes. The target groups of the BILT Initiative are policy makers at Ministries and national bodies, labour market partners, TVET providers, and researchers.

New Qualifications and Competencies is BILT's overarching theme. The initiative explores how they can be put into practice, ensuring future-oriented, attractive TVET career paths. Within this framework, BILT addresses four thematic areas: Digitalization, Greening, Migration, and Entrepreneurship.

## **BILT activities focus on:**

- Bridging: Strengthening bridges between TVET stakeholders in Africa, Asia-Pacific and Europe
  - BILT Bridging Conferences in the three focus regions,
    - o Cycle 2024-25:
      - Europe: "Towards Inclusive Excellence in TVET", Como, Italy, 22-24 April 2024
      - Africa: Host tbc, October 2024 Asia-Pacific: Host tbc, Q1 2025
  - Biennial global BILT Learning Forum at UN Campus, Bonn: next in 2025.



- **Innovation:** Fostering innovation and knowledge generation
  - Publishing Innovation and Learning Practices (ILPs) from the three regions: Europe, Africa, Asia-Pacific. ILPs are innovative and successful TVET practices, potentially transferable to other contexts, and particularly relevant to the BILT focus themes. The next ILPs to be published in 2023/early 2024 reflect the current focus on TVET in the context of digitalisation and greening in the hospitality and tourism sector.
  - The online ATLAS presents TVET trends across the three focus regions.
  - Expert Groups support inter-regional discussion on innovations in specific economic sectors. For 2023, tourism and hospitality was the sector of choice; collaboration will be continued. In 2024, a new Expert Group focuses on the building and construction sector.
- Learning: Reinforcing learning and capacity building
  - Thematic webinars series on "Clean energy: TVET for a just transition".
  - 'Learning Labs': a webinar series that explores in-depth specific Innovation and Learning Practices as an opportunity for peer learning. For example, the last Learning Lab focussed on "Microcredentials in TVET". The next one will focus on inclusive TVET programmes in Hospitality.
  - Capacity building workshops: to support TVET providers in a self-assessment process with regard to the identification, integration and implementation of new qualifications and competencies.

If you wish to discuss the B ILT project in more detail, do not hesitate to contact the BILT team at UNESCO-UNEVOC and the Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB):

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