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Industrial clusters

Within a number of industrial segments, industrial clusters develop over time. Examples include specialized industries such as shipbuilding, construction and operation of thermal power plants, etc.

An industrial company will often not be able to cover the entire value chain in the production in terms of the various products needed. For example, engines, winches, cranes, etc. for a shipyard will be supplied by other companies that specialize in this. This means that the companies become mutually dependent on each other, and industrial clusters are established.

This cluster co-operation affects which personnel the various companies in the cluster need, both in terms of knowledge, skills and competences, and the practical training needed. Within defined geographical areas, there will therefore be a need for a type of education that is customized to the companies in the area. Co-operation between the industry cluster and VET is therefore determined and reflects the market needs in a specific region.

Thus, how can VET and industry interact and establish industry partnerships?

- In order to co-operate, there must be common interests. In other words, why should we co-operate and what benefits does this give us?
- In order to collaborate, there must be a minimum number of common areas that allow the collaboration to be positive not only in the short term, but also over time.

ACCESS TO HIGH CONCENTRATION OF TALENT THAT HAS SPECIALIZED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND COMPETENCES TO SUPPORT THE CLUSTER`S SPECIFIC NEEDS.