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Best Practice Examples

Vocational education and training (VET) plays a vital role in lifelong learning and workforce development. Partnerships between industry and VET institutions are crucial for aligning the skills and competencies of learners with the evolving needs of employers and industries.

The initial step in establishing a industry-VET-partnership is to identify the key stakeholders and clarify their roles, responsibilities, and objectives. Each stakeholder may bring distinct expectations and needs to the partnership. It is important to identify the stakeholders and their interests, and maintaining regular communication to understand their needs and expectations.

Questions for industry and industrial clusters to consider in order to establish an Industry-VET Partnership

- Do you meet your need for skilled labour through existing education programs?
- Is there a gap between the supply of specialized education and the need you have?
- How do you fill this gap, if at all, is it through your own internal company education?
- If you could get a company-adapted education from a VET education centre, would this be interesting?
- Are there a VET education centre in the company's vicinity that you can work with?
- Could you, for example, collaborate with several companies to create a vocational education and training program?
- Are there educational institutions in the company's neighborhood that are interested in meeting the company's educational needs?
- Would you be interested in developing new educational programs for your company in collaboration with educational institutions?
- Do any vocational education institutions have the knowledge and expertise to meet the company's needs?
- Do you want the company to carry out customized training yourself?



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