

CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS

European Apprentices Network Meeting

25th and 26th June 2023 - Brussels

Deadline to apply: 18th April 2023 - 23:59 Brussels time

Apply here: <https://forms.gle/hSdc2AEyJU2DhAFm7>

Who we are

The European Apprentices Network (EAN) is a network of apprentices, youth organisations and other bodies related to apprenticeships at the European level. EAN was established in 2017 to ensure that apprentices both in secondary and third-level education are shaping the discussion and policymaking related to VET, in particular for apprenticeships. Our priorities for the coming years are:

- Supporting independent apprentices representation
- Advocating for quality apprenticeships through our [7 key priorities](#)
- Promoting the image of apprenticeships
- Building partnerships and cooperation with other stakeholders

We do this in cooperation with DG Employment of the European Commission and frequently meet in parallel with the [European Alliance for Apprenticeships](#) gathering.

What's this event about

During this event we aim at learning more about the **priorities of apprentices in Europe**. What is that we need to ask institutions to do better? What are the priorities of your organization or workers' council? What do you think you are doing good and want to share with other apprentices in Europe?

The event will take place from **lunch time on the 25th June to lunch time on the 26th of June**. We know, a day can be intense, but the idea is that we organise and hear your priorities so that some of you can then present them during the High Level Event of the European Alliance for Apprenticeships. Why only some of you? We expect to be able to select **around 50 apprentices from all over Europe for our event**, but unfortunately we cannot bring the same number to the high level event,



so only **15 of you will be able to stay**. You can flag your interest to stay in the application and we will carry out the selection process.

What is the high level event about, you might wonder?

It's the 10th anniversary of the European Alliance for Apprenticeships!

During the event, we will focus on continue raising awareness on the importance of quality and effective apprenticeships and offer a networking opportunity to boost good practice exchange and collaboration, while pledging to upgrade apprenticeships in Europe.

Who are you and why should you join us

You are...

- A representative from a learner-led organisation - these are organisations that are made by apprentices and learners for apprentices and learners like for example ANAF in France, SAKKi and OSKU in Finland, EEO in Denmark, DBB Jugend in Germany and so on and so forth.
- An individual that is passionate about joining a learners' organisation
- An individual that is active in their company or training centre and wants to know more and get engaged on a more structural level
- A passionate apprentice that just wants to share their views
- Someone coming from a worker or learners' council that wants to work more on apprenticeships

Whoever you are, tell us more in the application form!

Please note that the European Apprentices Network is a democratic learner-led organisation and we wish to provide **a voice and agency to apprentices to speak their mind about their needs and wishes**, and not necessarily those of a specific company or training centre. When speaking to your employer, however, feel free to mention the immense learning opportunity that you can get from sharing knowledge, ideas and developing new competences like public speaking, networking, negotiation and language skills.

What about travel and accommodation

Travel and accommodation will be covered. If selected, you will be contacted to register to the final event and then a travel agency will be giving you information on your travel and accommodation.



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Accommodation will be provided in shared rooms. Arrival date is **25th in the morning** and departure date is **26th in afternoon**. Accommodation is covered for one night.

We will not be able to cover meals, so unless they are covered during the event, these expenses will be out of pocket.

Selection process

The Selection process will be carried out by OBESSU and the National Society of Apprentices through their Staff Members. We will place special attention to guaranteeing diversity and representation.

Contacts

Please feel free to contact us about the call writing to ean@obessu.org

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