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European Dual System – EU-DualS

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In Germany, company-based training makes a major contribution to the competitiveness of companies and low youth unemployment. European countries with high youth unemployment rates are therefore showing an interest in making a transition to the dual system of vocational training. For example, about 47.7% and 39.8% of the young people were unemployed in Spain and Italy, respectively, in 2015 (Statista 2015).

The extent to which the dual system or its constitutive elements can be adapted in other countries has been the subject of research and political discourse for some years. No one disputes the impossibility of a simple one-to-one transfer of the German dual vocational training system, however.

The EU-DualS project, supported by AEF Europe, is supporting two regions Gipuzkoa in Spain and Varese in Lombardy, Italy in the adaptation and pilot implementation of elements of the dual system. On the basis of the German system of vocational training, constitutive elements of a European VET system are named and compared with the legal requirements in Spain and Italy.

f-bb is developing a framework concept for the transfer of selected elements of the German VET system to the partner countries and providing specialist support for the entire process. This concept will be made available to selected partner companies and vocational schools in Gipuzkoa and Varese. Teachers, pupils, and company representatives are will be prepared for its introduction through workshops and/or video tutorials. As part of a pilot programme, eleven students from Italy and Spain will also complete a four-week internship in companies in Germany.

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