

## The GREEN SKILLS project in a nutshell:

The "GREEN SKILLS" project aims to identify the work and training factors that prevent construction sector professionals from obtaining jobs that require new qualifications and skills.

The project will focus on professionals in the construction sector, by giving them the means to develop and expand their technical, professional and educational skills which are necessary, and which need to be addressed alongside the environmental demands and the energy sustainability targets for 2020.

The main advantages of the project are:

- **Seek recovery** in the construction sector;
- Define a **new model of sustainable and competitive construction** that creates new jobs specialising in new market demands;
- Offer **public employment services** and associated job placement entities with a catalogue of new market offers;
- Provide **entities, training institutions, and training path associations** with the necessary tools to adapt the profile of construction professionals and workers to new job demands;
- Create a **joint collaboration network**, with local authorities, employment agencies, construction businesses, in order to generate productive and commercial management synergies.
- **Endorse the reliability** of the services available.

The project **started in October 2014** and it will be **completed in March 2016**.



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## Addressing green skills shortages and training needs in the construction sector



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## The GREEN SKILLS rationale:

The economic and financial crisis has largely affected one important sector of economic activity for most of the EU Member States: the construction sector.

A number of EU countries report a deep recession in this sector and inevitably high levels of unemployment in relevant occupations. At the same time, there has been a growing demand for new skills and qualifications in the construction sector, mainly as a consequence of the rapid greening of activities and of advances in techniques and technologies which change skill requirements faster than education and training systems can respond.

There is, therefore, a great need to address skills shortages, including appropriate training components.

The project "Connecting People for Green Skills – GREEN SKILLS", co-funded by the PROGRESS programme of the European Union, is addressing this exact need.

## The GREEN SKILLS outputs:

- **Diagnosis of the EU construction sector situation**
- **Report on sustainable building best practices** implemented in EU countries
- **Catalog of new employment opportunities in the form of 'green jobs'** based on new competitive market demands and criteria of equal opportunities

- **Specific training courses and work placements in companies** addressed to both job seekers and active professionals in the construction sector
- **Educational guides for each specialty detected** will be made available to entities dedicated to training and employment services

Green Skills will be disseminated by transversal development in all its steps.

- **Study of the labour force** in the construction sector
- **Specific catalog of job offers** in the field of sustainable construction
- **New technology platform** that allows to link supply and demand for environmentally responsible building tasks
- Establishment of an **'International Expert Committee'** to assess and specify necessary skills and training

- **List of professional profiles** with new skills, attitudes and training according the market demands for new 'green jobs' in construction
- **Design of personalised social and labour insertion paths** for job seekers in construction to improve their employability towards the new market offers

**Stay tuned for the Green Skills National Conferences and the Green Skills Final Conference in Brussels** (beginning 2016).

