

PRESS RELEASE 2 Second Transnational Meeting of MORAL in Potenza, Italy

On 11 and 12 September 2024, the Chamber of Commerce of Basilicata hosted the delegations of the organisations involved in the project 'Key Skills Microcredentials: A Passport to Employment and Inclusion' (MORAL) funded by the Erasmus+ Programme.

The partners, representing **Cyprus, Greece, Italy, Poland, and Spain**, convened in Potenza, Italy to discuss various project activities and tasks, which are set to conclude in the end of 2026.

During the meeting, significant attention was paid to comparing the results from focus groups with employer representatives organised in all the partner countries. These groups included entrepreneurs, managers, human resources' professionals, career advisers, and other stakeholders interested in understanding how micro-credentials can facilitate access to junior (entry-level) job positions and eager to express their opinion about the skills that are necessary for employees in these positions. The discussions emphasised particularly long-term unemployed individuals, young people, economically inactive women, and low-skilled adults. Building on the results of the focus groups, the partners elaborated a plan for an employer survey in all the partner countries to collect the views of people responsible for making recruitments about the **key skills for accessing the labour market** at a larger scale.



The project's core idea is to develop a **'Passport to Employment' consisting of a set of micro-credentials** certifying that individuals possess the skills that are required for them to enter the labour market, as they will be indicated at the two research phases. An **online platform** will be developed within MORAL to facilitate the acquisition of these micro-credentials through micro-courses on every key skill, which will also support lifelong learning initiatives.





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