## ECOSME – Business sustainability skills for SMEs in the hospitality sector

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SLOVENIA	The ECOSME project is introducing sustainability practices in the hospitality sector as a way to recover in post-COVID time. The case recognises the multidimensionality of the sustainability concept and recognises the importance of developing a sustainable future in the sector.
Geographical area	Slovenia (region: Styria; locale: Maribor and surrounding area) and other partner countries (Ireland, France, Spain and Portugal)
Educational level	National system: tertiary (post-secondary) education EQF: Level 5 Slovenian SQK: 6 ISCED : Level 5
Introduction and context	The ECOSME project is a project which aims to support hospitality SME's on their sustainability journey, through the provision of flexible open source multi-lingual training tools informed by stakeholder research.
	<ul> <li>This project aims to:</li> <li>Raise awareness of the advantages of sustainable business management.</li> <li>Raise awareness of the advantages of developing green skills for business, society, community and the environment.</li> <li>Support SME's through their "green transition" with relevant training tools.</li> <li>Encourage sustainable entrepreneurship.</li> <li>Enhance employability skills for individuals wishing to upskill or reskill in areas of sustainability.</li> <li>Expand the educational offering to academics/educational providers to support industry needs.</li> <li>Build a network of sustainable hospitality businesses across the partner countries.</li> </ul> Project partners are: EURAKOM (France); Atlantic Technological University (Ireland), Bia Innovator Campus (Ireland); Instituto Politecnico de Viana do Castelo (Portugal); Dom Spain (Spain) and VSGT Maribor (Slovenia)
Key activities and outcomes	Modules, developed through the project, will be available here: <u>https://www.ecosme.eu/en</u> Additionally, the ECOSME project aims to present the Catalogue of Innovative sustainable practices from five partner countries (ongoing) and the Sustainability self-assessment tool (ongoing) with further ECOSME Training Programme developed and presented online. Importantly, the project is linking best sustainability practices into the European network and collecting best practices that will enable the companies to collaborate and learn from each other.



## SOURCES

https://www.ecosme.eu/e

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100082992019807

https://www.instagram.com/ecosmeproject/