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# META-COIN: Best practice repository to identify skills needed for the future working life 2025-2035

Under the European project **META-COIN: Meta-competences for international working environments** the Meta-coin Consortium, from **Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy and Scotland**, has prepared a **Good Practice Guide** that serves as a comprehensive and invaluable resource for individuals, educational institutions, businesses, and policymakers alike, as it addresses the **evolving demands of the future workforce** and offers actionable insights to empower all involved to bridge the skills gap.

The META-COIN Consortium launched a Conference in Paris in May 2023, where external experts presented interesting experiences and perspectives on meta-skills, guiding partners' research on defining meta-skills and collecting best-practices for the **Good Practice Guide**. Partners learned from each other and from participants and had the opportunity to enlarge the META-COIN's network in different parts of the EU.

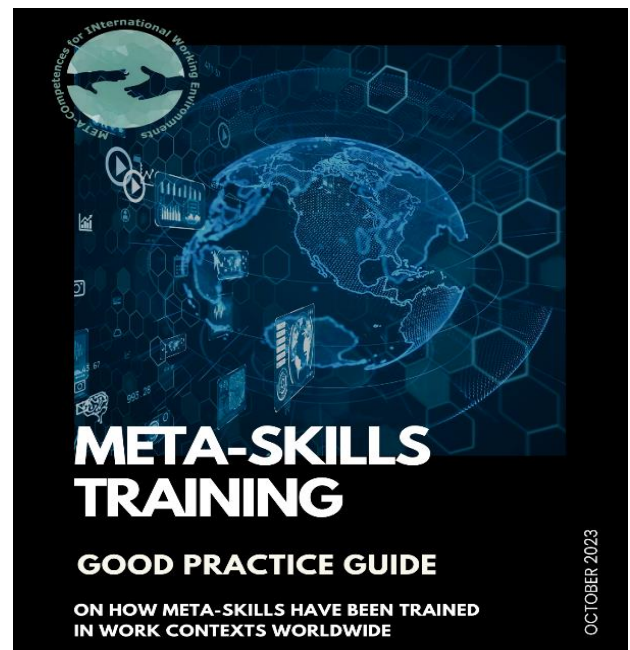


Image 1 The Good Practice Guide

In an era of rapid global transformation, this study underscores the paramount importance of meta-skills but draws attention to a critical issue persisting across European countries: **the lack of systematic mapping for meta-skills provision at local and national levels**. Each country faces unique challenges; while Finland excels in integrating intercultural skills into its national curriculum, Belgium, Germany and Italy grapples with decentralized education system. Hungary spotlights the need for





proper mapping, especially in vocational education, while Scotland struggles with limited data hindering their assessment of intercultural skills initiatives. France, too, faces challenges in mapping intercultural skills provision, due to the absence of a comprehensive mapping system.

Addressing these challenges necessitates **collaborative efforts from policymakers, educators, and employers**. A centralized mapping system is proposed, enabling evidence-based decision-making and resource allocation. The accompanying Good Practice Guide serves as a resource, showcasing successful approaches and inspiring dialogue on prioritising meta-skills in diverse contexts.

### The Meta-Coin Consortium meeting in Berlin

Based on the Best Practices Repository, the Meta-coin Consortium is now working on creating a **structured working platform populated with training materials** in meta-skills and internationalisation skills accessible at EQF-levels 3-6 providing an upskilling pathway. More specifically, the partners have completed the **2<sup>nd</sup> working seminar** and peer-learning activity taken place in Berlin in 28-30<sup>th</sup> of November, where they worked on the structure and the methodology of the online course that will be available on the project’s website <https://metacoinproject.eu/>.



Image 2 Discussing in the Chamber of Commerce in Berlin



Image 3 The 3<sup>rd</sup> Transnational Partners Meeting

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