

SKILLING UP THE WESTERN BALKANS AGRI-FOOD SECTOR: DIGITALISING, GREENING

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Project aim and objectives

Aim: increase the level of SME innovation and competitiveness through higher level of connectedness between skills and innovation actors, relevant networking and peer learning.

Objectives:

- Identify digital and technological changes and impact on demand for skills
- Connect skills and innovation actors for an ecosystem that supports change
- Peer learning partnerships with the EU ecosystem actors
- Facilitate networking to accelerate partnerships

Stakeholders

1. Innovative SMEs involved in areas such as digital transformation and sustainable transition of the agri-food sector
2. Agri-food SMEs looking to make an innovation shift
3. Business associations and industry clusters supporting SME internationalisation
4. Education and training, and research institutions involved in innovation and skills formation in the agri-food area
5. WB6 policymakers (agri-food, education and training, private sector development, smart specialisation, SBA etc.)
6. EU member state actors (businesses, intermediary bodies, VET providers etc.)
7. EU institutions

Project steps

1

Mobilisation of
stakeholders

2

Analysis of skills
needs and
technological
trends

3

Foresight

4

Peer learning
partnerships

Data sources

Standard data sources

Labour force surveys
PES statistics on vacancies and job seekers
Enterprise statistics
Education statistics
Censuses

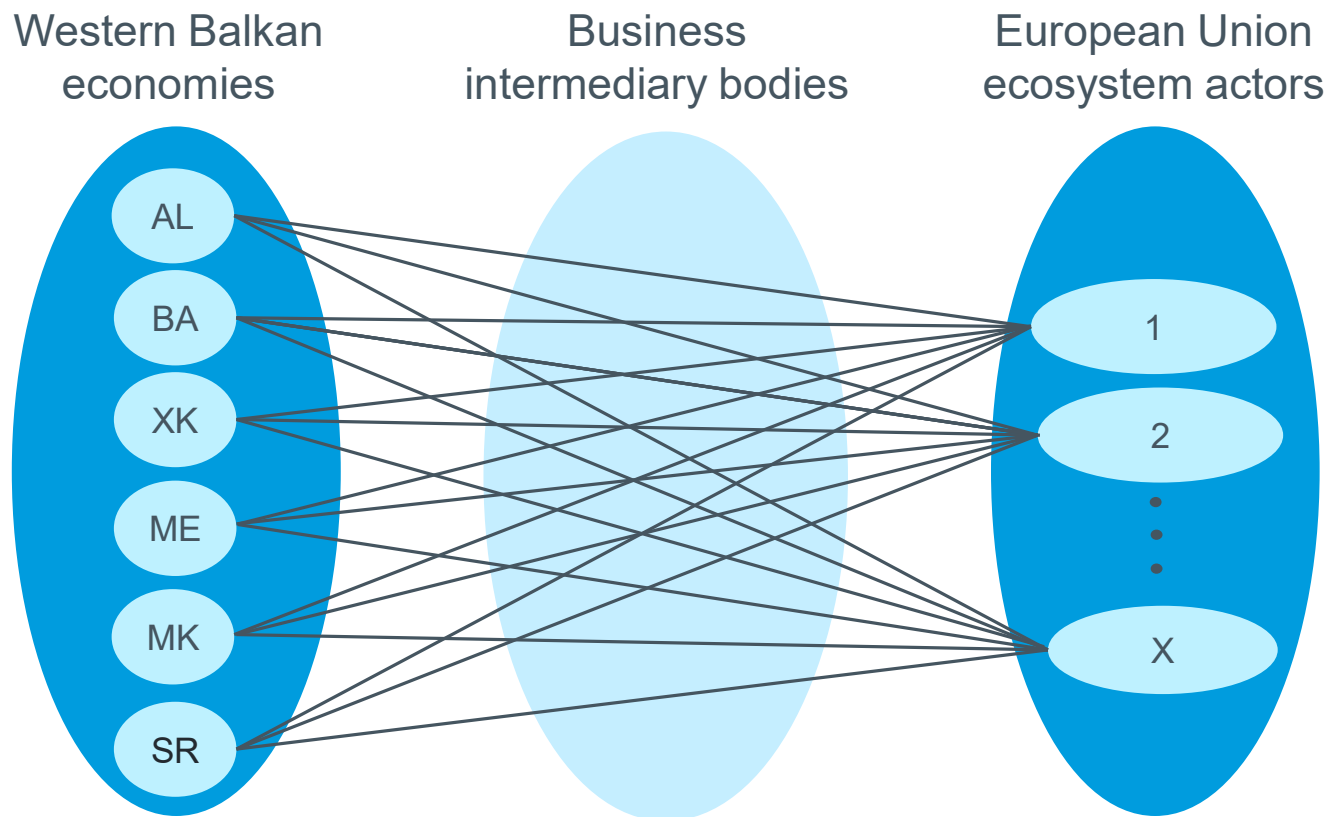
Skill-specific data

Enterprise skills data
Qualitative data on skills

Other data sources

Projections of labour supply and demand
International databases

Peer learning partnerships



Workflow 2022-2025

