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Key trends and recent developments in Adult Learning and Education in Europe

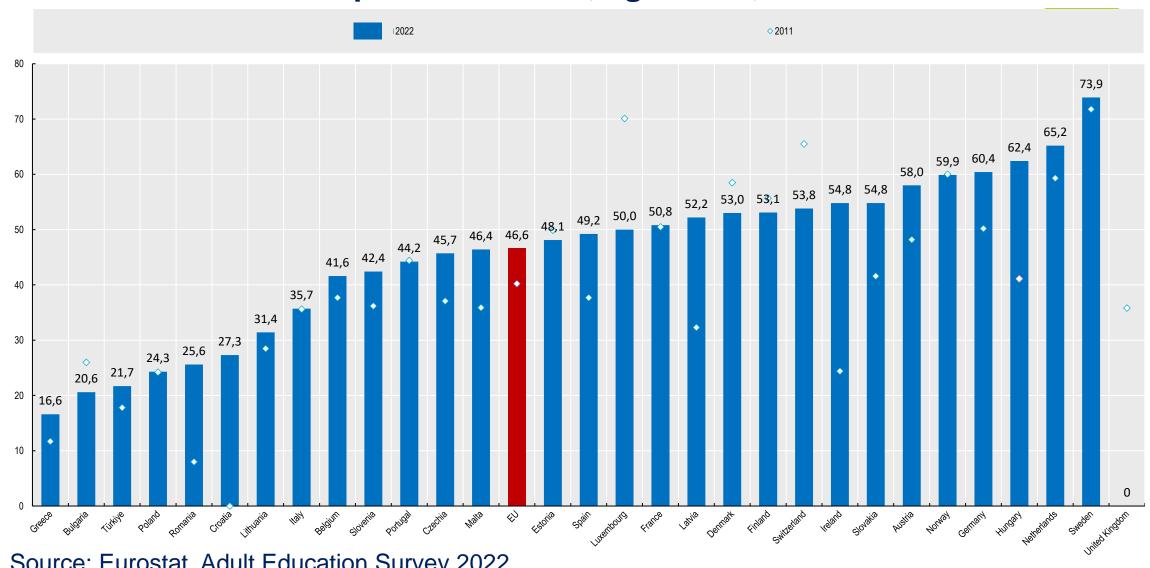


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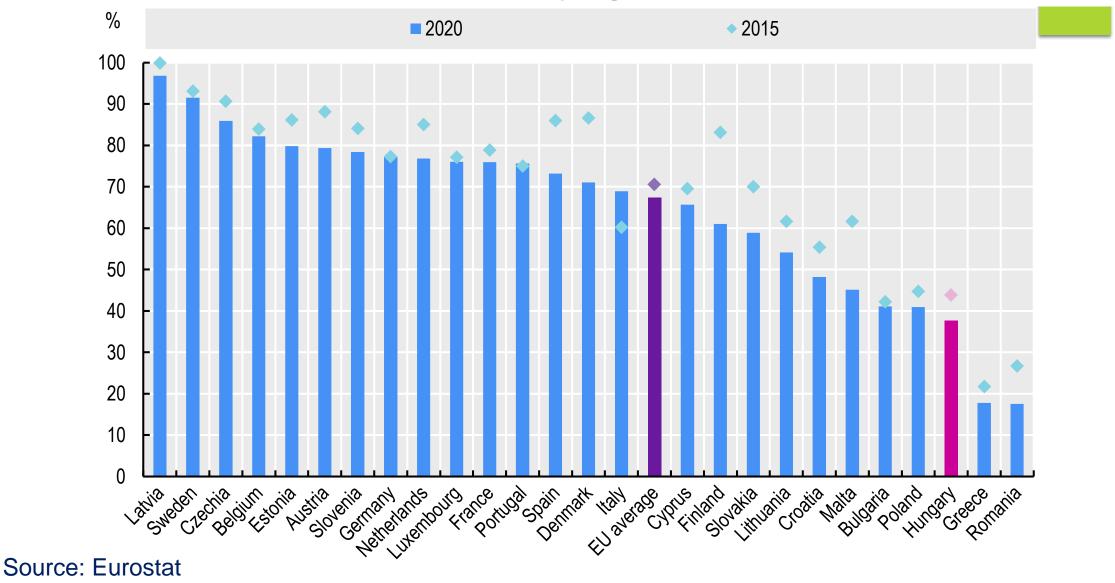
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Share of adults participating in formal or non-formal learning in the past 12 months, age 25-64, 2011-2022

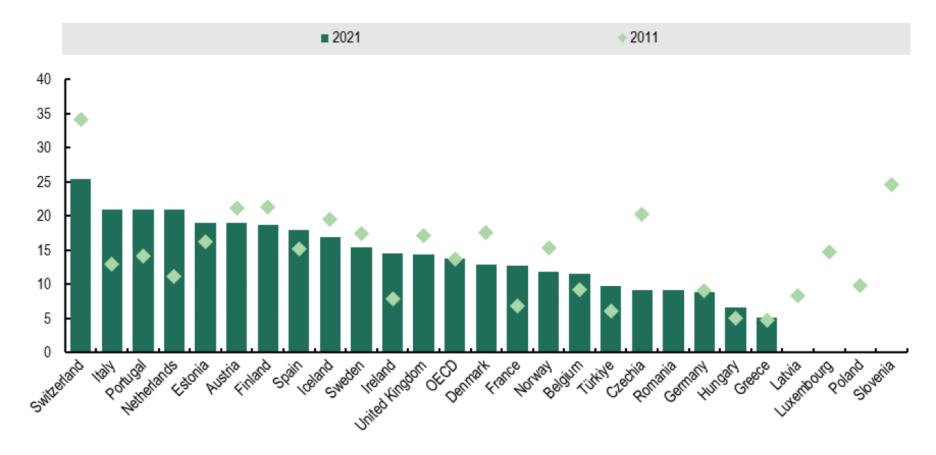


Source: Eurostat, Adult Education Survey 2022

Enterprises providing continuing vocational training 2015-2020 All enterprises employing 10 or more persons



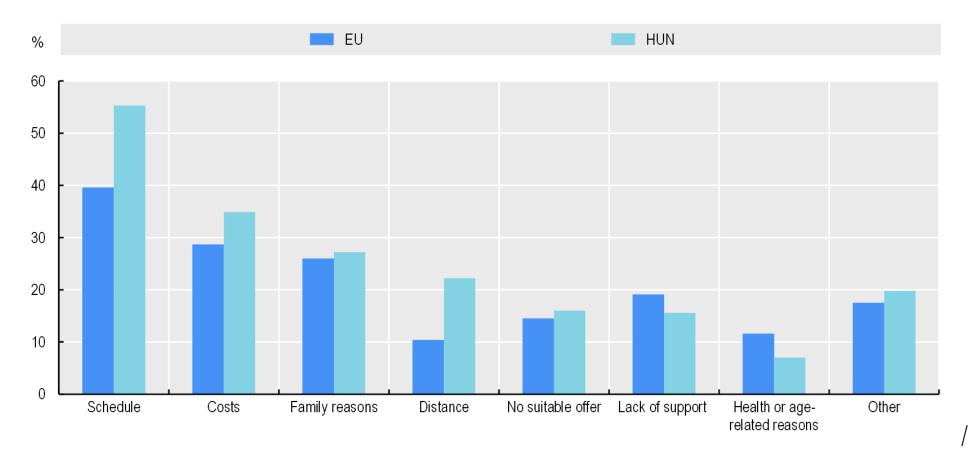
The participation gap between low-skilled and high-skilled adults



Note: Figure shows percentage point difference in learning participation of low- and high-skilled adults. Participation in formal and non-formal learning in the 4 weeks preceding the survey; unweighted OECD average, low skilled = ISCED 0-2, high-skilled: ISCED 5-8.

Source: European Labour Force Survey data.

Adults wanting to participate in education and training, by reason for not participating, 25-64 years-olds, 2022



Note: Lack of support refers to a lack of employer support or support from public services Source: Eurostat, Adult Education Survey, trng_aes_176

European Pillar of Social Rights

The three goals for 2030 proposed in the

Action Plan



An employment rate of at least

78%

in the EU

This goal includes three sub-goals:

Cutting the difference between employment rates for men and women by half in comparison to the figures for 2019

Increasing the availability of childcare services (aged 0-5)

Reducing the rate of young people (aged 15-29) who are NEET ("not in employment, education or training")

> 12,6% in 2019





At least 60%

of adults attending training courses every year

This goal includes two sub-goals:



of adults with at least basic digital skills

Lowering school dropout rates



Reducing the number of people at risk of social exclusion or poverty by at least

15

million people

including

5 million children

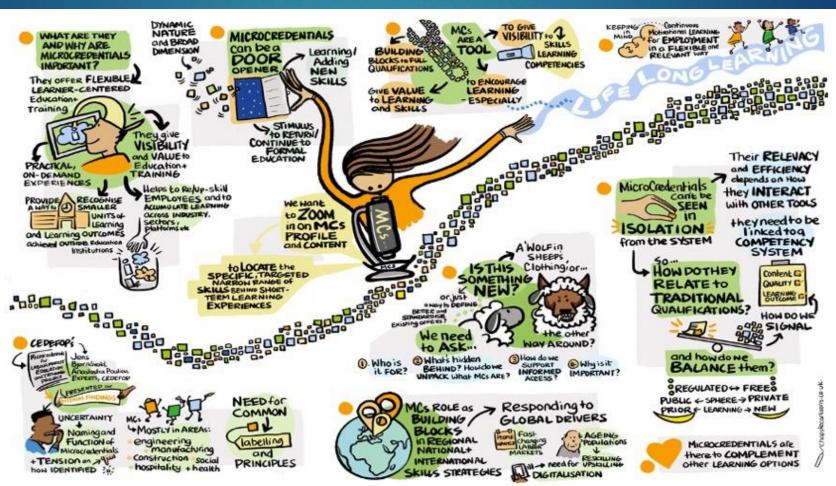


Source: https://www.esap.online/news/78/porto-social-summit-all-partners-commit-to-2030-social-

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- 1. At least 78% of the population aged 20 to 64 should be in employment by 2030
- ✓ at least halve the gender employment gap compared to 2019
- ✓ increase the provision of formal early childhood education and care
- ✓ decrease the rate of young people neither in employment, nor in education or training (NEETs) aged 15-29 from 12.6% (2019) to 9%
- 2. At least 60% of all adults should participate in training every year
- ✓ at least 80% of those aged 16-74 should have basic digital skills
- ✓ early school leaving should be further reduced.
 - 3. The number of people at risk of poverty or social exclusion should be reduced by at least 15 million by 2030

Towards an individual right to adult learning Micro-credentials and Individual Learning Account



Source: CEDEFOP https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/news/microcredentials-new-opportunity-lifelong-learning

Micro-credentials and Individual Learning Account Innovative Approach to Lifelong Learning

Micro-credentials

provide flexible and short(er) but high-quality training offers that respond to individual, social and labour market needs



Training rights are attached to individuals

Individual Learning Account

provides a funding mechanism for all workingage adults that gives individuals greater control over their finances

Micro-credentials combined with individual learning account can serve as an effective demand-side incentive for individuals and employers, establishing the way for a more inclusive and adaptable adult learning and education ecosystem by promoting a culture of personalised skill development and reducing funding barriers.

