

Micro-Qualifications in FET

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“The modes and nature of learning will have to adapt to a digital world. The future of work will require a continuing need to re-engage with the education system.” (*Future FET*)

FET provision.. tailored to meet the needs of learners and employers and made available in bite-sized chunks to facilitate accessibility. (*Future FET*)



“A European approach to micro-credentials will help to open up learning opportunities to citizens and strengthen the role of higher education and vocational education and training institutions in lifelong learning.” (European Commission, 2021)

Skills to Advance Micro-qualifications Pilot

Innovation through Collaboration Fund

Collaboration with stakeholders adopting an evidence-based approach

Infrastructure created to manage development and mainstreaming

Pre-Pilot and Pilot with ETBs, ETBI and QQI

Initial micro-qualifications in Aquaculture, Robotics in Advanced Manufacturing, Sustainability and Digital for Business (SMEs)

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Skills to Advance policy - Targeted upskilling opportunities and company support to develop the hard-to-reach workforce



Focus is on FET for Enterprise – employers and employee



Complex accreditation environment



Innovation through Collaboration Fund projects participating in the pilot process



Key driver – FET response to employer and employee emerging needs



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Aim and Values

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To create an effective and efficient approach to micro training and qualifications for the Further Education and Training in collaboration with stakeholders

Values



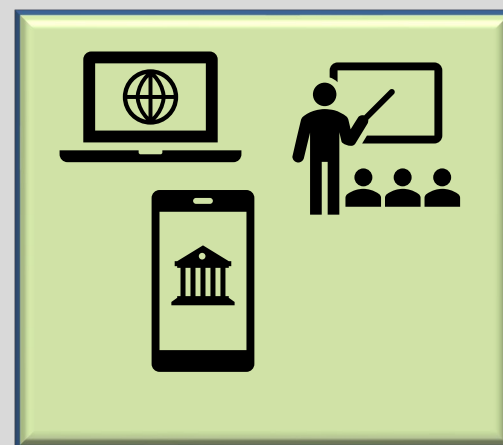
Learner Focused



**Collaborative -
Providers & Enterprise**



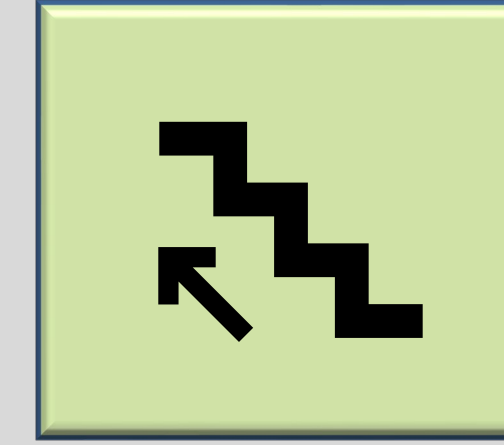
Agile Design



Flexible Delivery



Inclusive Reach



**Accessible –
incremental learning**

Objectives of the Pilot

1

To respond to an identified gap in current provision with focused, relevant and agile upskilling opportunities for employees and employers

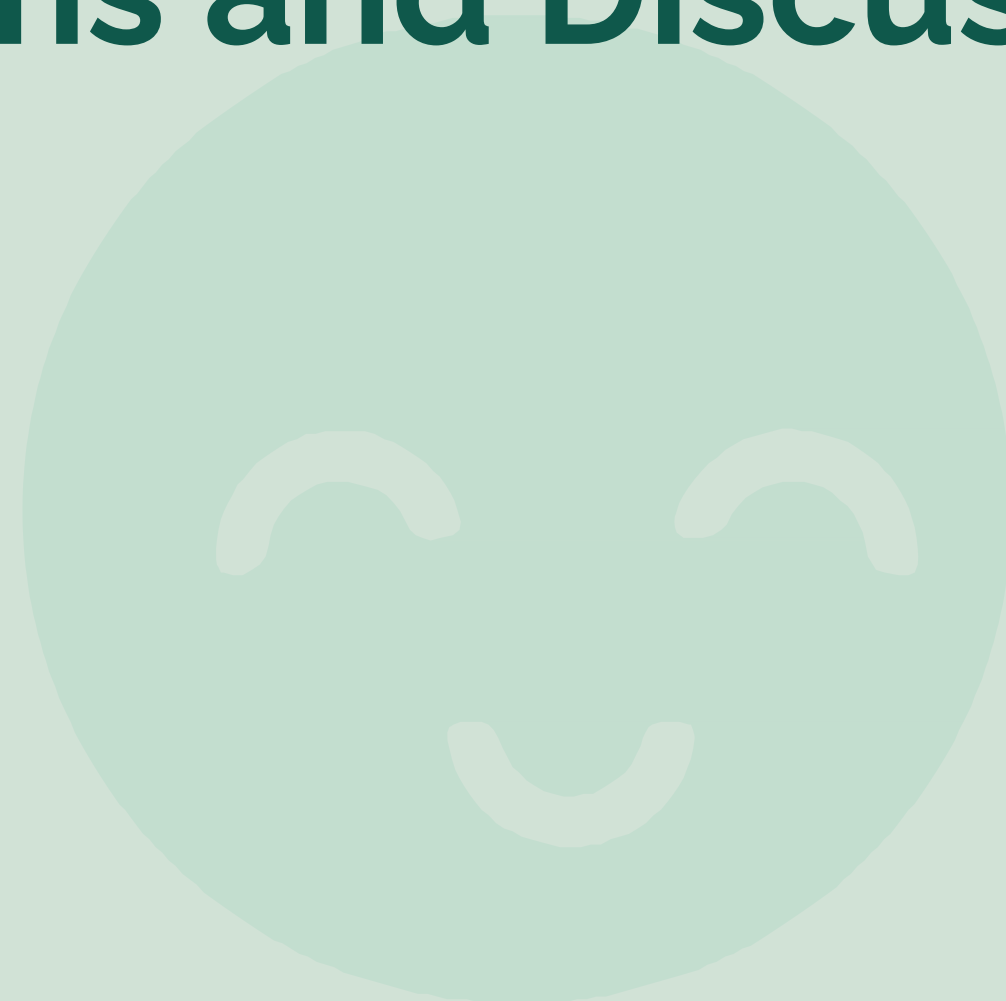
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To support retention, career options and advancement of employees

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To increase participation of enterprise in training that will enhance their skills capital and business productivity

Questions and Discussion



Thank You



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