

EBSN

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- The **European Basic Skills Network, EBSN**, is a non-profit association gathering policy makers and policy providers engaged in basic skills training for adults.



EBSN

A growing, organic network

- Membership: **policy makers and policy providers**
- **Policy providers:** research institutions, national or regional agencies, national advocacy associations, unions...



A unique network...

- Policy makers/implementers: 11 ministries, 14 governmental agencies, several regional public providers
- Policy providers: 10 universities, 30+ associations of educational NGOs, other national and regional stakeholders





All inhabitants of Europe have the level of basic skills they need to

- *have access to lifelong learning,*
- *ensure their employability and*
- *be active citizens.*



EBSN and the «Skills Guarantee»

- The place of basic skills training as first step
- Linking basic skills, including digital competence, to guidance, validation, work place vocational learning, etc.



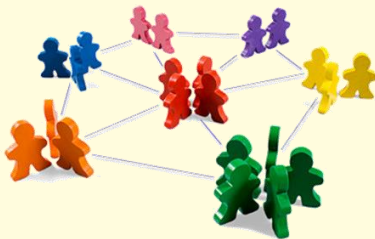
Activities

- Annual conference
- EBSN in EPALE
- Special Interest Groups, SIGs
- EBSN OnLine courses



Learning from each other

- The slow progression towards consensus
- Awareness raising and lobbying
- Inspiration, input and «nuggets»
- Adopting or adapting
- Project cooperation, mentoring, availability
- Networking with networks: MoUs



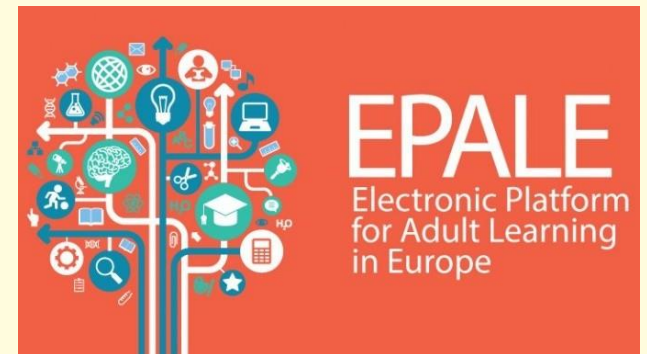
EBSN in EPALE:

- Main tasks:
 - thematic coordination of “life skills” theme;
 - organizing online events,
 - providing blog entries, articles, interviews;
 - organizing and managing online communities of practice related to basic skills development
 - ambassador for EPALE within the Basic Skills / Adult Learning sector



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- EPALE interactivity: the SIGs and Communities of Practice
- EBSN's Open Online Courses (OOCs)
 - Capacity Building
 - Professional Development
 - Communication and Awareness Raising



Special Interest Groups (SIGs) – thematic interest groups aiming to provide information, create joint knowledge and promote development on a policy level.

- **EBSN SIG 1: *Workplace Basic Skills***
- **EBSN SIG 2: *Numeracy, including Financial Literacy***
- **EBSN SIG 3: *Digital Competence***
- **EBSN SIG 4: *Basic Skills and Family Learning***
- **EBSN SIG 5: *Creation and implementation of national policy for Basic Skills provision***
- **EBSN SIG 6: *Basic Skills for Integration***



Working towards...

- Consensus and equity
- Quality of provision
- Outreach
- Digital revolution

- Through cooperation and synergy

