



# FARMING'S GOT TALENT!

## Vocational education and training for agriculture in transition

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## Who, When, Where

- **Brussels**, 24 November 2022 (9:30-17:15)
- Physical event + web streaming
- Teachers and students of agricultural vocational schools, agricultural trainers, advisers, farmers, researchers, EU organisations, national authorities in charge of agriculture and/or education



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# Background

- **Knowledge and skills** are key to ensure a smart, sustainable and resilient agricultural sector
- Very few farm managers in the EU have full **agricultural training**, seven out of ten having only practical experience (Eurostat, 2016).
- **CAP**: resources for knowledge exchange and information remains modest (2% EAFRD); no leverage of learning mobility opportunities (ERASMUS+)

**Strategic:** developing and retaining skills and talent matching EU ambitions; transition to new quality jobs also via adequate skills (SFRs 2021, 2022)

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*“[...] We need much more focus in our investment on professional education and upskilling. We need better cooperation with the companies, because they know best what they need. And we need to match these needs with people’s aspirations [...] **This is why I am proposing to make 2023 the European Year of Skills**”*

Extract from President von der Leyen’s SOTEU address 2022

# Why



**Aim:** highlight the role of vocational education and training (VET) to enable an **attractive** farming sector ready for the **twin green & digital transition**, and identify priorities and successful approaches for the development of the right skill set.

## Objectives:

- Identify the changes in **skills needed** in the EU farming sector to address the challenges brought forward by the twin green and digital transition
- Share successful **experiences** of vocational education and training (VET) for sustainable, digital-ready and resilient farming in the EU, and identify challenges and possible ways forward
- Explore available **tools** to support high quality VET programmes and promote collaboration and synergies to deliver them

# What



## Scene setting: Skills for the twin green and digital transition in agriculture

*Keynote presentations by OECD, CEDEFOP*

AM

Vocational schools preparing the next generation of high-skilled agricultural professionals

*Presentations by schools*

Vocational education and training for the twin transition: challenges and ways forward

*Round table*

Vocational training and lifelong learning to match sustainability challenges

*Presentations by training providers*

PM

Policies to deliver agricultural VET fit for purpose

*Policy panel*

Closing

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INVITATION

## SCAR AKIS' input

1. Any question, feedback on the event and the programme?
2. What's next? Possible follow up, collaboration?
3. **Register / Disseminate !** → [event information & registration](#)

# Thank you



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