

# EURES

## Coordination Group meeting

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Executive summary

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# Minutes of ECG meeting

## Executive summary

A EURES Coordination Group (ECG) meeting was held on 22-24 November 2023 in Malaga, Spain. As per the EURES Regulation, it brought together the European Labour Authority (ELA) as the European Coordination Office (ECO), the Commission (DG EMPL) and the EURES National Coordination Offices (NCOs). According to the EURES Regulation<sup>1</sup>, this group acts as a 'platform for the exchange of information and for the sharing of best practices, in particular regarding the development and dissemination of appropriate information and guidance to workers, including frontier workers, and employers, across the EURES network. The ECG 'should also be consulted during the process of preparing templates, technical standards and formats as well as regarding the definition of uniform detailed specifications for data collection and analysis'. This meeting was an opportunity for the ECG members to discuss the latest developments in EU labour mobility and to receive updates regarding ELA's, ECO's and the Commission's activities. Taking into account specific momentum of the beginning implementation of the EURES portal strategy 2023-2030, there was a dedicated block of the ECG meeting where Interoperability Contact Working Group (IOC WG) members were invited to join the ECG meeting.

ECO presented, inter alia, updates on the implementation of the EURES portal Strategy 2023-2030, updates on ELA's activities, the EURES/Europass synergies project, updates on the Programming Cycle documentation, EURES training and Training Coordinators' Working Group, EURES 30th anniversary celebration plan, 2023 strategic foresight and EURES Strategy 2025-2030.

The Commission presented EU-level developments and policies related to labour mobility as well as cross-border mobility projects and updates on compliance with ESCO (European Skills, Competences, Qualifications and Occupations) and on admission system.

Finally, NCO BE and NCO NL presented two initiatives at national level to the participants of the ECG.

ES NCO co-hosted the meeting in Malaga as a combined event with the Spanish Presidency event held on the third day. The Spanish Presidency event showcased various initiatives, including the European Commission's introduction of the Technical Support Instrument (TSI) to bolster employment and training programmes. Similar experiences in Active Support for Employment in the country were highlighted through presentations on inspiring practices for labour market recovery, transformation, and resilience. These included the utilisation of the ESCO classification to identify training needs, the establishment of the new Centre of Excellence (COE) Network of National Employment System Public Centres, the TándEM alternance training scheme, the Initial Professional Experience and Investigo programmes, digital learning initiatives for women in rural communities (PFEA), and efforts supporting digital transformation.

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<sup>1</sup> Recital 23 of Regulation (EU) 2016/589.

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