

European Occupational Standards for Golf

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Project Information

Title: European Occupational Standards for Golf
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Marketing Text: Golf is unique amongst sports in the size and diversity of its labour market. There are many golf qualifications, some recognised in national qualification systems and others purely sector-based. New golf markets have emerged in recent years and there exists a gap at EU level between the competencies required by golf employers and the learning outcomes acquired by graduates and employees through education training.

The "European Occupational Standards for Golf" project will objective the development of industry-led occupational standards to describe and specify the standards of performance that people are expected to achieve their work, and the knowledge and skills they need to perform effectively. In other words, those innovative standards will define the competences, skills and knowledge needed for the jobs of the sector. The end target will be to ensure the development of a competent workforce with the right skills and to improve the relationship between education and employment.

Summary: The EU golf industry is growing fast and employers need well trained employees able to match the requirements of a more demanding and socially diverse clientele. Golf is unique amongst sports in the size and diversity of its labour market. A large number of qualifications exist in the golf industry, some are recognised in national qualification systems (UK and Netherlands) and some others are purely sector-based. New golf markets have emerged in recent years particularly in Southern and Eastern Europe and there exists a gap at European level between the competencies required by golf employers and the learning outcomes acquired by graduate/employees through training. These new markets lack quality initial vocational training relevant to golf employers' needs. In established golf markets, training processes are focused on learning inputs.

The purpose and objective of the project have been discussed with the partnership during the development of the project and in accordance with the strong request expressed by the sector for the need to develop some European Occupational Standards. Indeed, they have identified a gap between the competences requested from the labour market and the learning outcomes delivered by the training providers and so those innovative outcomes should improve and make easier the movement between education and employment but also ensure the development of a competent workforce with the right skills in the golf industry.

The implementation of those European Standards into national VET systems will enhance the attractiveness of VET, reinforce the cooperation between stakeholders and the link with employers, the transparency of the qualifications and their recognition which will strengthen the mobility of highly skilled workers with clear occupational pathways and the transferability of their skills and competences.

The expected impact envisaged is that golf will embrace a Lifelong Learning Strategy and endorse a common quality assurance framework for its qualifications across EU. These achievements will enhance the attractiveness of VET, will reinforce cooperation between stakeholders and the link with employers, the transparency of the qualifications and their recognition which will strengthen the mobility of highly skilled workers with clear occupational pathways and the transferability of their skills and competencies.

Description: Golf Stand project gathered a unique combination of 16 partners from 10 different EU countries involved in Golf, wider sports and education sector. The starting point of the development of the project was to make sure that existing qualifications/courses in Golf are understood by employers and match the needs of the sector.

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Initial needs:

- Existing programmes vary between countries
- Need for parity in the level of qualification, training and input across the programmes
- Need support to further develop/amend existing programmes to the appropriate level
- Need for an appropriate and common structure, content and assessment framework

To respond to these challenges the Golf Stand project gave the opportunity to develop a series of EU Standards describing the sector, main occupations and activities, skills and competencies needed to perform as Golf Professionals, and the way to develop learning outcomes within courses/qualifications.

The fact to gather such a mix of recognised national & EU stakeholders with various expertise and competencies was crucial to deliver such an ambitious project. Indeed, the whole Golf industry was represented through the partnership which made easier the development of relevant technical results (EU Standards) but also the validation of the content. The quality of the results and the delivery of each single task of the work plan were ensured by having some experts involved with a deep knowledge and understanding of the sector.

Themes: *** Utilization and distribution of results
 *** Labor market
 *** Quality
 *** Lifelong learning
 *** Social dialog
 *** Recognition, transparency, certification
 *** Enterprise, SME

Sectors: *** Education
 ** Other Service Activities
 ** Arts, Entertainment and Recreation
 * Human Health and Social Work Activities

Product Types: description of new occupation profiles
 others
 website

Product information: The Golf Stand project entirely met the initial objectives specified in the application form and the partnership carried out some extra achievement to respond to the realities and needs from the sector in Europe.

In terms of management activities (WP1), SkillsActive lead the process and all expected full partner meetings, technical meetings and management group meetings were organised through the life of the project. Moreover, some management tools such as a detailed Gantt Chart, a Financial and Administrative Manual, a Quality Management Plan, a multilingual glossary and a consultation strategy were produced.

An External Evaluation was conducted to assess the quality of the management and the results of the project. It was initially planned to only produce a Final External Evaluation Report at the end of the project period but to ensure an efficient management for the project we agreed to add an interim step to obtain views and opinions of all partners at mid-term and make the necessary changes and/or improvements.

All expected valorisation activities (WP2) were achieved including the development of a valorisation strategy, a project leaflet available in 10 languages and hard copies in English, a specific logo and a project's website (www.golf-stand.eu).

The initial goal of WP3 was to conduct a desk research to collect available data on

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Labour Market to be able to give a snapshot of the situation in the Golf sector in Europe. We carried out the scanning/desk research but due to a lack of available and comparable data it was unanimously agreed to conduct a Labour Market related field research through Golf Facilities from 10 member states of the EU to obtain key data on golf facility, the workforce and employer's needs. An extra Technical Meeting was organised in June 2011.

Expected technical outputs produced:

- Occupational Map (WP4.1) and Occupational Descriptors for the Golf sector in EU (WP4.2)
- Functional Map for the Golf Industry in Europe (WP5.1)
- Functional Map for Golf Professionals (WP5.2) – extra outcome to make easier and more logical the transition between the Functional Map and the Occupational Standards
- Occupational Standards (work based competence framework) for Golf Professionals in EU (WP6)
- guide to Qualifications and Learning Outcomes for the Education of Golf Professionals in EU (WP7)
- report on Quality Assurance Strategies and Guidelines for Vocational Education and Training in Golf in EU (WP8).

Projecthomepage: www.golf-stand.eu

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Organization Type: association/non-governmental organisation
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Country: SE-Sweden
Organization Type: trade union organisation
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Partner 4

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Country/Region: Lisboa
Country: PT-Portugal
Organization Type: trade union organisation
Homepage:

Partner

Partner 5

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 Homepage: <http://www.mqc.gov.mt>

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 Country: FI-Finland
 Organization Type: university/Fachhochschule/academy
 Homepage: <http://www.vierumaki.fi>

Partner 7

Name: Professional Golfers' Association of Germany
 City: Munich
 Country/Region: Bayern
 Country: DE-Germany
 Organization Type: trade union organisation
 Homepage: <http://www.pga.de>

Partner 8

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 City: Birmingham
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 Country: UK-United Kingdom
 Organization Type: university/Fachhochschule/academy
 Homepage: <http://www.undergraduate.bham.ac.uk/coursefinder/education/app-golf-management.shtml>

Partner

Partner 9

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 Country: SI-Slovenia
 Organization Type: trade union organisation
 Homepage: <http://www.zvgis.si>

Partner 10

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 Country: IT-Italy
 Organization Type: trade union organisation
 Homepage: <http://www.pga.it>

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 Country: SE-Sweden
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 Homepage: <http://www.boson.nu>

Partner 12

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 Country: UK-United Kingdom
 Organization Type: public institution
 Homepage: <http://www.sqa.org.uk>

Partner

Partner 13

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Country: UK-United Kingdom
Organization Type: association/non-governmental organisation
Homepage: <http://www.pgae.com>

Partner 14

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City: Sutton Coldfield
Country/Region: West Midlands
Country: UK-United Kingdom
Organization Type: trade union organisation
Homepage: <http://www.pga.info>

Partner 15

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Country/Region: Noord-Holland
Country: NL-Netherlands
Organization Type: employers' organisation
Homepage: <http://www.egcoa.eu>

Project Files

Leaflet_Dutch.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/6644/prj/Leaflet_Dutch.pdf

Golf Stand Leaflet - Dutch

Leaflet_English.pdf

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Golf Stand Leaflet - English

Leaflet_Finnish.pdf

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Golf Stand Leaflet - Finnish

Leaflet_French.pdf

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Golf Stand Leaflet - Slovenian

Leaflet_Swedish.pdf

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Golf Stand Leaflet - Swedish

Products

- 1 Key findings: European Labour Market Information Research Report for Golf
- 2 The Occupational Map for the Golf sector in EU
- 3 Occupational Descriptors for the Golf sector in EU
- 4 The Functional Map for the Golf Industry in Europe
- 5 The Functional Map for Golf Professionals in Europe
- 6 Work based Competence Framework for European Golf Professionals (Occupational Standards)
- 7 Guide to Qualifications and Learning Outcomes for the Education of Golf Professionals in Europe
- 8 Quality Assurance Strategies and Guidelines for Vocational Education and Training in Golf in Europe

Product 'Key findings: European Labour Market Information Research Report for Golf'

Title: Key findings: European Labour Market Information Research Report for Golf

Product Type: others

Marketing Text:

Description: A European Research Report has been produced from the qualitative and quantitative data collected through both the initial desk research and the online LMI survey. It includes elements such as workforce characteristics in the Golf sector (eg full time/part time, employees/volunteers etc), the list of main responsibilities for the main occupations identified within the Occupational Map, the issues around skills gaps and shortages within Golf facilities, data about Continuous Professional Development (CPD), the activities and task carried out by PGA Golf Professionals. We can consider this report as the full version containing all qualitative and quantitative data collected through the whole process.

A summary report entitled "Key Findings" has been produced to highlight key findings and data from the survey carried out in the sector in Europe. Indeed, it was unanimously agreed by the partnership that the full version of the report was too detailed and too long for an effective dissemination and as it is will not be read by the main stakeholders of the sector. The content to be included within the key findings paper was discussed and decided by the whole partnership during the last meeting, and we then asked the external designer to create a professional layout. 1,000 copies of this report was then printed and disseminated all over Europe as the first snapshot of the workforce of the sector.

Target group: - Internal: the whole partnership
- External: Training Providers, Ministries, European Institutions, Golf Courses, employees from the Golf Sector (Golf Pros, Golf Course Owners, Golf Course Managers, Green keepers etc), National Golf Federations, National PGAs Associations, Social Partners, and other stakeholders from the Golf Industry.

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Product Languages: English

product files

Golf_Stand_Key_Findings_EU_LMI_Research

R14.2_Golf_Stand_EuropeanLMI_Key_Findings.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/6644/prd/1/2/R14.2_Golf_Stand_EuropeanLMI_Key_Findings.pdf

Product 'The Occupational Map for the Golf sector in EU'

Title: The Occupational Map for the Golf sector in EU

Product Type: others

Marketing Text:

Description: The Occupational Map developed through the Golf Stand project provides a frame of reference for the Golf sector.
Indeed, the Map discusses and describes for example the size and nature of the golf sector in Europe, the type of activities and characteristics of golf participants/clients, the organisational structure of the sector, the key drivers affecting the sector and the workforce, and also relates to the key occupations to be found in the sector.
The Occupational Map considers what types of activities are seen by the workforce and the participants as being integral to the Golf sector.

Target group: Different stakeholders from the Golf sector but also from outside the Sector can benefit from the Occupational Map: Training Providers, Ministries, European Institutions, National Qualification Authorities, Golf Courses, employees from the Golf Sector, National Golf Federations, National PGAs Associations, Social Partners, representatives of employees, students, citizens, the whole Sport Movement.

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Golf_Stand_Occupational_Map

R15_Golf_Stand_Occupational_Map.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/6644/prd/2/2/R15_Golf_Stand_Occupational_Map.pdf

Product 'Occupational Descriptors for the Golf sector in EU'

Title: Occupational Descriptors for the Golf sector in EU

Product Type:

Marketing Text:

Description: The Golf Stand project consortium identified through the Occupational Map four main occupational areas in the Golf sector which are:

- 1) Facilities Operation and Development
- 2) Golf Supplies
- 3) Events
- 4) Participant Development.

These occupational areas headlined for more than 60 different related occupations in total but the consortium decided to select and prepare Occupational Descriptors for the following eight main occupations:

- ASSISTANT PROFESSIONAL
- TEACHING PROFESSIONAL
- HEAD PROFESSIONAL
- DIRECTOR OF GOLF
- GENERAL MANAGER
- GOLF FACILITY SALES & MARKETING MANAGER
- FOOD & BEVERAGE MANAGER
- GOLF COURSE MANAGER

Although the title for each occupation is commonly found in the Golf sector across Europe, the actual job description can vary from country to country.

The Occupational Descriptors were then drafted by the partnership of the project for each of the eight occupations and responded to the requirements of step 3 of the Lifelong Learning Strategy for Sport and Active Leisure (7 Step Model) which was the key methodological tool used in the Golf Stand project.

It consisted of describing key characteristics of each occupation by listing key tasks, skills and attributes for these main occupations as well as knowledge, qualifications and career routes. In other words, the Occupational Descriptors describe a standard that can be seen around Europe in particular job roles and can be used by employers and others in the industry to benchmark job descriptions. They are indicative of common skills and are not designed to be prescriptive. Employment in each country and indeed each employer in the sector may be different from the descriptors as each job will fit the specific needs of a country or employment context.

Target group: Different stakeholders from the Golf sector but also from outside the Sector are targeted and can benefit from the Occupational Descriptors: Training Providers, Ministries, European Institutions, National Qualification Authorities, Golf Courses, employees from the Golf Sector, National Golf Federations, National PGAs Associations, Social Partners, representatives of employees, students, citizens, the whole Sport Movement.

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Product 'The Functional Map for the Golf Industry in Europe'

Title: The Functional Map for the Golf Industry in Europe

Product Type:

Marketing Text:

Description: The Functional Map for the Golf Industry in Europe is a graphic representation that describes the work activities and all main functions taking place across the sector. The methodology used through the Golf Stand project to develop this product was to breakdown large functional areas into smaller functions. The "KEY PURPOSE" was the largest function which was then broken down into "KEY AREAS", which in turn were broken down into "KEY ROLES" and finally the most disaggregated part of the Map were the "KEY FUNCTIONS" which are also the titles of the Occupational Standards. These were developed by asking what functions need to be performed in order for the previous function to be achieved. These components can be described as follows:

- Key Purpose – summarising the overall mission of the industry
- Key Areas – describing large areas of work, often undertaken by whole groups of staff
- Key Roles – describing major functions carried out by teams or individuals
- Key Functions – describing the functions carried out by individuals.

In other words, the Functional Map provides a complete breakdown of all functions or work activities that need to be carried out by individual members of staff. Functions are not random activities but all have a clear purpose and outcome that are valuable to an employer of the Industry.

Target group: Different stakeholders from the Golf sector but also from outside the Sector are targeted and can benefit from both Functional Maps: Training Providers, Ministries, European Institutions, National Qualification Authorities, Golf Courses, employees from the Golf Sector, National Golf Federations, National PGAs Associations, Social Partners, representatives of employees, students, citizens, the whole Sport Movement.

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Spanish
German

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Golf_Stand_Functional_Map_Industry

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http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/6644/prd/4/2/R17.1_Golf_Stand_Functional_Map_Golf_Industry_English.pdf

Product 'The Functional Map for Golf Professionals in Europe'

Title: The Functional Map for Golf Professionals in Europe

Product Type: others

Marketing Text:

Description: Following the development of the Functional Map for the Golf Industry in Europe (17.1) and before moving forward through the Occupational Standards for Golf Professionals it was suggested and unanimously agreed by the partnership the need to produce a second Functional Map focusing only on the functions related to Golf Professionals. All non relevant functions from the Functional Map for the whole Golf Industry such as Food and Beverage, Manufacture, the development of Golf Supplies etc were then deleted to obtain a specific Functional Map for Golf Professionals. This extra task was a logical step and clearly made easier the transition between the Functional Map and the Occupational Standards - work based Competence Framework for Golf Professionals.

Target group:

Result: Different stakeholders from the Golf sector but also from outside the Sector are targeted and can benefit from both Functional Maps: Training Providers, Ministries, European Institutions, National Qualification Authorities, Golf Courses, employees from the Golf Sector, National Golf Federations, National PGAs Associations, Social Partners, representatives of employees, students, citizens, the whole Sport Movement.

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Golf_Stand_Functional_Map_Golf_Prof

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Product 'Work based Competence Framework for European Golf Professionals (Occupational Standards)'

Title: Work based Competence Framework for European Golf Professionals (Occupational Standards)

Product Type: others

Marketing Text:

Description: The Occupational Standards (Work based Competence Framework) are an extension of the Functional Map where each identified “key function” is simply broken down further to a level which describes what Golf Professionals should be able to do, the standard they should achieve and the knowledge and understanding they need. In other words, the Key Functions from the Functional Map for Golf Professionals in Europe formed the unit titles for the Occupational Standards.

The Occupational Standards describe the standards of performance that Golf Professionals are expected to achieve in their work, and the knowledge and skills they need to perform effectively. Occupational Standards are concerned with what people can do (competence), not just what they know.

The Standards themselves are made up of the following parts:

- Overview (what this standard is about) - At the front of every standard there is an overview that describes what the standard is about and sets the context for the tasks listed in that standard.

- Performance criteria - These are the criteria that set out what the golf professional should be able to do to perform the tasks listed in that standard well. Performance criteria help professionals know what good practice looks like and what they need to do to perform a task well. They help managers understand what their staff should be doing if they are to do their job well.

- Knowledge and understanding - This section lists the things that a professional needs to know and understand in order to effectively carry out the tasks listed in the standard.

The Occupational Standards for Golf Professionals can be used for a range of different purposes in education and employment. Indeed, Golf employers can use for example the standards to describe the skills they need in their workforce or to assess the skills their workforce currently has. Education providers can map their courses to the Standards to identify gaps in provision and so highlight where there is a need to update material. New courses can also be developed using the Standards, basing the learning outcomes and the syllabus on the areas of competence in the Standards. Finally Golf Professionals can use the standards to inform their own practice and to assist them in making choices about their own continuing professional development.

Target group: Different stakeholders from the Golf sector but also from outside the Sector are targeted and can benefit from the Occupational Standards: Training Providers, Ministries, European Institutions, National Qualification Authorities, Golf Courses, employees from the Golf Sector, National Golf Federations, National PGAs, Social Partners, representatives of employees, students, citizens, the whole Sport Movement.

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Product 'Guide to Qualifications and Learning Outcomes for the Education of Golf Professionals in Europe'

Title: Guide to Qualifications and Learning Outcomes for the Education of Golf Professionals in Europe

Product Type: others

Marketing Text:

Description: The main purpose of the Guide to Qualifications and Learning Outcomes for the Education of Golf Professionals in Europe is to act as an introductory and initial guidance document to help in the development of qualifications, learning outcomes and frameworks in the sector. It corresponds to Step 6 of the Lifelong Learning Strategy for the Sport and Active Leisure Sector (7 Steps model) and has been designed to be a useful tool kit in the development of a curriculum and framework.

The report is aimed primarily at the general reader, but is also aimed at Federations and Educational Institutions as a means of giving them practical advice and informing them of potential ways in which a curriculum can be developed to meet the needs of the industry within the particular context of the country, organisation and provider.

The report begins with a wide appreciation of European Policy and Initiatives, followed by some concrete explanations of the different steps to help in the understanding of the benefits of the Learning Outcomes process, the concrete development and writing of learning outcomes, before linking more explicitly with the Golf Stand Functional Map for Golf Professionals, and then providing examples of potential modules taken from these. Two modules are then looked at in some detail, linked to learning outcomes, teaching methods and assessment strategies to provide the reader with an example of how they are developed and applied.

This report also contains some information obtained from a comparison sample made between existing PGA Training Programmes across Europe to highlight some similarities and differences in the structure, level, delivery and assessment methods.

Target group: Different stakeholders from the Golf sector but also from outside the Sector are targeted and can benefit from the Guide to Qualifications and Learning Outcomes: Training Providers, National Qualification Authorities, Golf Courses as employers, employees from the Golf Sector and mainly Golf Professionals, National Golf Federations, National PGAs Associations, Social Partners, representatives of employees, students, citizens, public authorities and decision makers, the whole Sport Movement.

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Product Languages: English

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Golf_Stand_Guide_Learning_Outcomes

R19_Golf_Stand_Guide_Learning_Outcomes_English.pdf

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Product 'Quality Assurance Strategies and Guidelines for Vocational Education and Training in Golf in Europe'

Title: Quality Assurance Strategies and Guidelines for Vocational Education and Training in Golf in Europe

Product Type: others

Marketing Text:

Description: The report on Quality Assurance Strategies and Guidelines for Vocational Education and Training in Golf in Europe contains a number of desk research findings and good practices on the existing quality assurance standards and procedures. It corresponds to Step 7 of the Lifelong Learning Strategy for the Sport and Active Leisure Sector (7 Steps model). The first part of the report presents the European Quality Assurance Reference Framework (EQARF) and the quality assurance methodology proposed by this Framework, and then highlights and reviews the existing good practices found in the current Vocational Education and Training (VET) system for golf professionals in Europe. The aim of the work carried out through the project to produce this report was not to implement a new Quality Assurance process for Golf professionals but to explore all relevant Quality Assurance strategies that might be considered and implemented to improve the current VET system in the sector. The content of the report should be read as a source of information and guidance based on an extensive desk research carried out through different sectors in Europe. It contains also a series of concrete recommendations developed from the desk research and to be considered as a way forward for the sector.

Target group: Different stakeholders from the Golf sector but also from outside the Sector are targeted and can benefit from the Quality Assurance Strategies and Guidelines for VET. The main target is the PGAs of Europe and National PGAs, but also Training Providers, National Qualification Authorities, Golf Courses, employees from the Golf Sector, National Golf Federations, Social Partners, public authorities and decision makers, and also the whole Sport Movement.

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Golf_Stand_Quality_Assurance_Strategies

Golf_Stand_Quality_Assurance_Strategies.pdf

http://www.adam-europe.eu/prj/6644/prd/8/2/Golf_Stand_Quality_Assurance_Strategies.pdf
Golf Stand Quality Assurance Strategies

Events

Golf Stand Full Partner Meeting 4 - Munich, 9/10 July 2012

Date 12.06.2012

Description Final Full Partner Meeting

Target audience Partnership

Public Closed event

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Time and place Munich, 9/10 July 2012

Golf Stand Technical Partner Meeting 4 - London, 03-04 May 2012

Date 04.04.2012

Description Technical Meeting with partners involved as leaders within WP7 (Learning Outcomes) and WP8 (Quality Assurance Strategies)

Target audience Partnership (WP7/WP8)

Public Closed event

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Time and place London, 03/04 May 2012

Golf Stand Full Partner Meeting 3 - London, 12-13 January 2012

Date 12.01.2012

Description Partner Meeting

Target audience Restricted to project's partners only

Public Closed event

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Time and place London, 12/13 January 2012

Events

Golf Stand Technical Partner Meeting 3 - Sesimbra, 15-16 September 2011

Date 28.07.2011

Description Technical meeting gathering partners involved withing WP6 (Competence Framework)

Target audience Partnership

Public Closed event

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Time and place Sesimbra, 15/16 September 2011