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EYE Enhancing Youth
Employment

EYE - Phase II

Project Duration: 2017-2020

Field of Operation: Youth Employment

Project area: Republic of Kosovo

Target Group: Young women and men in transition from education to work age 15-34 years old including youth from minority communities and youth with lower education background

Budget: 7.5 million CHF

Donor: The Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)

Implementing Consortium: HELVETAS Swiss Intercooperation (lead) and Management Development Associates (MDA).

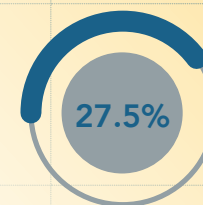
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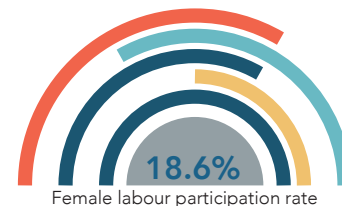
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Why EYE?

The official unemployment
rate in Kosovo in 2016



Unemployment rates are even higher in the rural regions, and 60% of unemployed are unskilled. In particular, unemployment rates among the minority communities and women are higher.



Youth unemployment (**52.4%**) is five times higher than EU average.

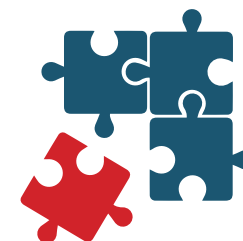
Female labour participation rate is **18.6 %**.

Also, Kosovo has the highest rate of inactive youth in the region – more than **100,000** are not in employment or education.

Skill mismatch: Professional education and training does not meet labour market requirements due to insufficient coordination between education providers and businesses in economic subsectors with growth potential.

Job matching and career guidance services are inefficient and ineffective to match demand with the available supply. Even if young people have the right skills, they are not spotted by employers.

Too few jobs are created due to lack of relevant, affordable, and new/or improved business services that would enable growth of businesses in potential subsectors.



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EYE's Goal

A dynamic and socially inclusive labor market provides more and decent jobs including self-employment for young people in Kosovo.



By the end of 2020:

- 100,000 youth have access to new/improved labor market information and career guidance services
- 20,000 youth receive improved education and training
- 2,500 jobs matched
- 1,500 new jobs created
- 1,000 jobs after training



What we do?

EYE integrates activities across its Outcomes; we work with vocational schools to complement skills with career guidance services and job-related information, as well as the growth of businesses that have a high need for vocationally trained workers.

Who do we work with?

Government ministries (MLSW, MEST, MTI, MED etc), Municipal and Local Government units

Public and Private Training Providers, VET Schools, VTC, HEI

Private Companies, Job Matching Service Providers, Business Member Organizations, Social Enterprises

Media Providers, Think Tank Organizations, Other Donor Projects, NGOs

