

## Making all Skills Visible: The Validation of Transversal Skills

**Date:** May 24-25, 2023

**Venue:** Vasateatern, Vasagatan 19, 111 22 Stockholm, Sweden.

Dear Participant,

Thank you for registering for the conference and welcome to Stockholm! We are looking forward to meeting you!

Participants from 19 different countries have registered for the conference, which is a good starting point for fruitful discussions on the complex issue of validation of transversal skills.

Thus, the organizers would like to encourage you to a high level of engagement, as we feel that it is only by connecting and conversing with each other that we can really open up the learning potential. We therefore invite you to join, learn and contribute actively in each of the various sessions.

### Arrival to Stockholm from the Airport

Express train <https://www.arlandaexpress.com/>

Airport bus <https://www.flygbussarna.se/en/arlanda#>

### Study visit on Day 1

Those of you who have registered for the study visit can look forward to an interesting morning of May 24<sup>th</sup>. The visit is hosted by Trygghetsfonden (<https://tsl.se/>) together with The Swedish Employment Service (<https://arbetsformedlingen.se/>)

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There are two ways of getting there:

- a) Walk together with a local host from Scandic Grand Central, Kungsgatan 70, 111 20 Stockholm, Sweden. Departure from the hotel is at 09.10.
- b) Get to Trygghetsfonden on your own. The program starts at 9.30.

## Workshops on Day 2

### Practical arrangements

Registration for the parallel workshop sessions for day 2 takes place upon arrival the first day at the Conference venue at the participant registration desk. There are a total of four workshop sessions:

1. Towards integrated national skills strategies
2. Professionalization of validation and guidance practitioners
3. Tools and methods for validating transversal competences
4. Building an EU community of validation and guidance professionals

Please, follow the updates concerning the Conference agenda and background information for the workshops on the Conference website <https://www.transvalproject.eu/european-policy-conference/>

You can then get a deeper insight into the content of all the sessions prior to your arrival and make a well-informed workshop choice at the conference. The number of participants in each workshop session is set in advance to 20-25 participants. First come - first served principle will be applied.

### Work process

Each workshop will have a short input by facilitators presenting the dilemmas and challenges related to the workshop theme.

The workshop discussions will focus on the main question - what needs to be done for each theme at different policy levels: regional, national, and European?

The participants will be invited to contribute with good practices related to the workshop theme as well as contributing to recommendations for sustaining and upscaling the project results.

Each workshop is invited to formulate one question based on their workshop topic for a Mentimeter feedback in plenum.

### Sights of interest in Stockholm

The Conference will end with a networking reception and some light refreshments. For exploring Stockholm afterwards, you might consult some of these websites:

<https://www.visitstockholm.com/>

<https://visitsweden.com/where-to-go/middle-sweden/stockholm/stockholm-old-town/>

<https://www.gronalund.com/en>

<https://www.vasamuseet.se/en>

<https://skansen.se/en/this-is-skansen/>

<https://abbathemuseum.com/en/>

From the organizers at NVL, we would like to thank you again for participating in the conference, and we look forward to some interesting and fruitful days in Stockholm.