



EntreComp
Europe

THE ENTRECOMP
COMMUNITY
PLATFORM



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About

EntreComp Europe aims to drive the implementation of EntreComp as a tool for lifelong learning, to place a focus on the transversal skills needed to be entrepreneurial citizens creating social, cultural, and economic value for others through their actions. The project shares knowledge across three key practice pillars: Youth Work & Education, Employability & Enterprise, and Assessment & Digitalisation. A three-year project, EntreComp Europe is an initiative co-funded by the COSME programme of the European Union.

During the first two years of the EntreComp Europe project, the project team worked for the development of a community platform, accessible to all members of the established Collaborative Communities.

The aim is **to build a community around EntreComp that goes even beyond the 5 established collaborative communities**. The EntreComp Community is a learning platform designed to bring together stakeholders, organisations, professionals, and practitioners (lifelong learning organisations, schools, youth-work, VET, university, practitioners, as well as employment/enterprise support organisations) either interested in, inspired by, or already using EntreComp to underpin entrepreneurial learning.

The platform is available at the following link: www.entrecomp.eu.

BUILDING THE ENTRECOMP COMMUNITY

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Tailored for EntreComp Europe

EntreComp Europe is the primary project that the platform is now designed for. Features included to signpost to the project include:

1. Tailored signup process for EntreComp Europe (via registration questionnaire)
2. EntreComp Europe Communities – groups created for each EntreComp Europe collaborative community
3. EntreComp Community Library with a searchable catalogue, to store and share information/learning resources and project deliverables
 - a. Includes links to all communication and dissemination outputs e.g. webinars and publications
4. Events schedule
 - a. In 2021 this will include all local events identified by country partners
 - b. Link can be shared externally for registrations via platform
5. Playlists – interactive and bite-size non-formal learning
 - a. Introduction micro-learning session (playlist) has been created for each EntreComp Europe Community
 - b. Playlists have been created on key topics to support learning for EntreComp Europe communities
 - i. Using the platform (for facilitators in each community)
 - ii. Introduction to EntreComp
6. Recognition channels via digital badges to recognise community participation are being developed by WP6. Development work is taking place to integrate these badges into the platform and create a pathway from the platform to the public areas of openbadgepassport.com
7. People – all members who have activated their profile to 'visible' are searchable through the platform and you can connect to them via direct messaging

Development process

The development of this platform was driven by the need to provide a high-quality space for the EntreComp Europe Communities. After significant research into different learning management systems, the platform was developed in [CDSM Thingji software](#), influenced by the company's offer to provide a package of free software and technical support.

Costs

- Basic costs are charged to Bantani - 400UKP per month for the fixed costs of hosting of the platform (since February 2021). This is invoiced monthly.
- Wider costs are sponsored by CDSM and Bantani - the value of the software and support driving The EntreComp Community is significant
 - In-kind support by CDSM is significant – this UK-based edtech SME have sponsored the costs of platform initiation and adaptations, a comprehensive workshop and advice package to design and launch the platform as well as monthly online workshops with their customer success manager to build the development pathway of the platform towards full roll-out. (a full package price for 300 platform users is estimated at 60k euros/annum). CDSM have agreed to support the basic package as part of an ongoing sponsorship collaboration.
 - Bantani dedicate 0.75 FTE to the design and development of the platform, and this increased to 1.75 FTE from November 2021.

The Platform

Access

The platform is accessible via the following routes:

1. Through direct link: www.entrecomp.com
2. The EntreComp Europe website (www.entrecompeurope.eu), accessing the tab **COMMUNITY**
3. EntreComp Europe collaborative community Facebook pages (now undergoing managed process of extending these communities to link directly into platform based EntreComp Europe communities)

Overview of platform areas

The EntreComp Community is a space to build a learning community around EntreComp and entrepreneurial learning, where users can use a set of practical tools to connect, network, share, learn and be recognised.

Members can access a digital library, to look through documents, publications, and multimedia content about EntreComp; can be part of a community sharing documents, news, and events; can register to entrepreneurial learning courses or to events.

What can you do on the EntreComp Community?



Access a digital library

Browse through documents, publications, multimedia content to find exactly what you need.



Be part of online communities

Join communities depending on your region or areas of interest, to discover practices and collaborate with other organisations around the globe.



Register for a course or an event

Take your entrepreneurial learning to the next level by following a course or attend an event





The platform gives access to the following areas:



Personal workspace – Home

Provides users with resources and information based on their subjects, interests, and needs. The Personal Workspace gives each learner access to lesson content, additional resources, latest news, events, and announcements.

- Curates a personalised learning experience
- Supports each user's unique learning journey
- Extends subject-specific knowledge
- Announcements and highlighted resources can be tailored to user defined areas of interest



Library

An easy-to-use tool for storing and sharing digital learning resources with a comprehensive catalogue Users can browse by tags such as region, language, publisher, or sector using advanced search tools to find what they need quickly and easily.

- Provides easy and searchable access to diverse resources – from EU publications, learning material, case studies to regional and local resources
- Diverse resources can be uploaded e.g. PDFs, webpages, videos, publications and more
- Resources can be uploaded by using weblink, or by uploading a specific file into platform
- Resources can be shared using public or private sharing options
 - o Public files can be shared directly off platform e.g. in email or newsletter external to platform
 - o Private files can be shared across whole platform, or shared to only a specific community/network within the platform

Examples of resources added for EntreComp Europe:

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- [EntreComp the framework](#) (available in multiple languages)
- [Discover the EntreComp flower](#) in multiple languages
- [EntreComp Europe Inspiring Practices](#)

The library has also a "[Help](#)" section, that can support members so find the useful information on how to use the platform.



Communities

These are communities set up by administrators or users – to bring together groups of users who have a common interest. Communities might include country communities (e.g. supporting the EntreComp Europe communities) and could in the future also include thematic communities or wider project communities (e.g. EntreComp Malaysia, EntreComp Palestine or groups for exploring assessment, women, digitalisation, green etc). In each community, there are a range of tools and features that enable administrators and users to share ideas, good practices, and resources within these professional learning communities. News and events also encourage users to keep up to date with latest developments in their field.

- Provides a support network
- Facilitates continuing professional development (e.g. can link community to specific learning opportunities)
- Tailored to region, sector, or other interests
- Both administrators and users can post content, link to resources/learning, share events and use discussion forums

EntreComp Europe Collaborative Communities now on platform:

- [EntreComp Moldova](#)
- [EntreComp Belgium](#)
- [EntreComp Espana](#)
- [EntreComp Italia](#)



- **EntreComp Turkey**

People

With this feature users and administrators will be able to search for other users on the platform, by name, expertise, or publications. Not all profiles are discoverable through “People”, if you want to be found by others you have to change the privacy of your profile. This is also important to complete your profile, to make the most of the networking opportunities!

- Useful to connect with other users and find potential new collaborators

Events

A tool to bring together relevant events within the EntreComp Network. Users can share and manage events such as webinars and workshops that can be searched for by date or location. Organisers can invite users and manage attendance requests, as well as distribute session-relevant materials.

- Promotes alternative learning strategies
- Disseminate online or in-person events

Playlists (micro-learning)

This is fast and ultra-rapid content creation tool that can be used to build and curate resources into bite-sized ‘collections’ – i.e. short learning opportunities. You can link a selection of library resources into one playlist, and add in text, quizzes, or questions to bring it to life. If needed, it can be e-learning that can be tracked and assessed.

- Facilitates fast and easy content creation as well as dissemination



- Enables content to be collected from the Digital Library or internet
- Includes both formative and summative assessment tools

Examples of micro-learning developed for EntreComp Europe:

- [EntreAssess](#)
- [What is the EntreComp Framework](#)
- [Discover EntreComp competences through real-world scenarios](#)



Classes

Classes are more formal MOOC-style learning, but with the added benefit of an online space managed by the Course Lead where members can share resources, discuss, and review their learning. Course leads can assign work, communicate with learners, and access reports on activities within their class.

- Facilitates collaboration and peer-to-peer learning, promotes active learning.
- Classes are not publicly visible; users must be added to a class by an administrator.



Badges and recognition

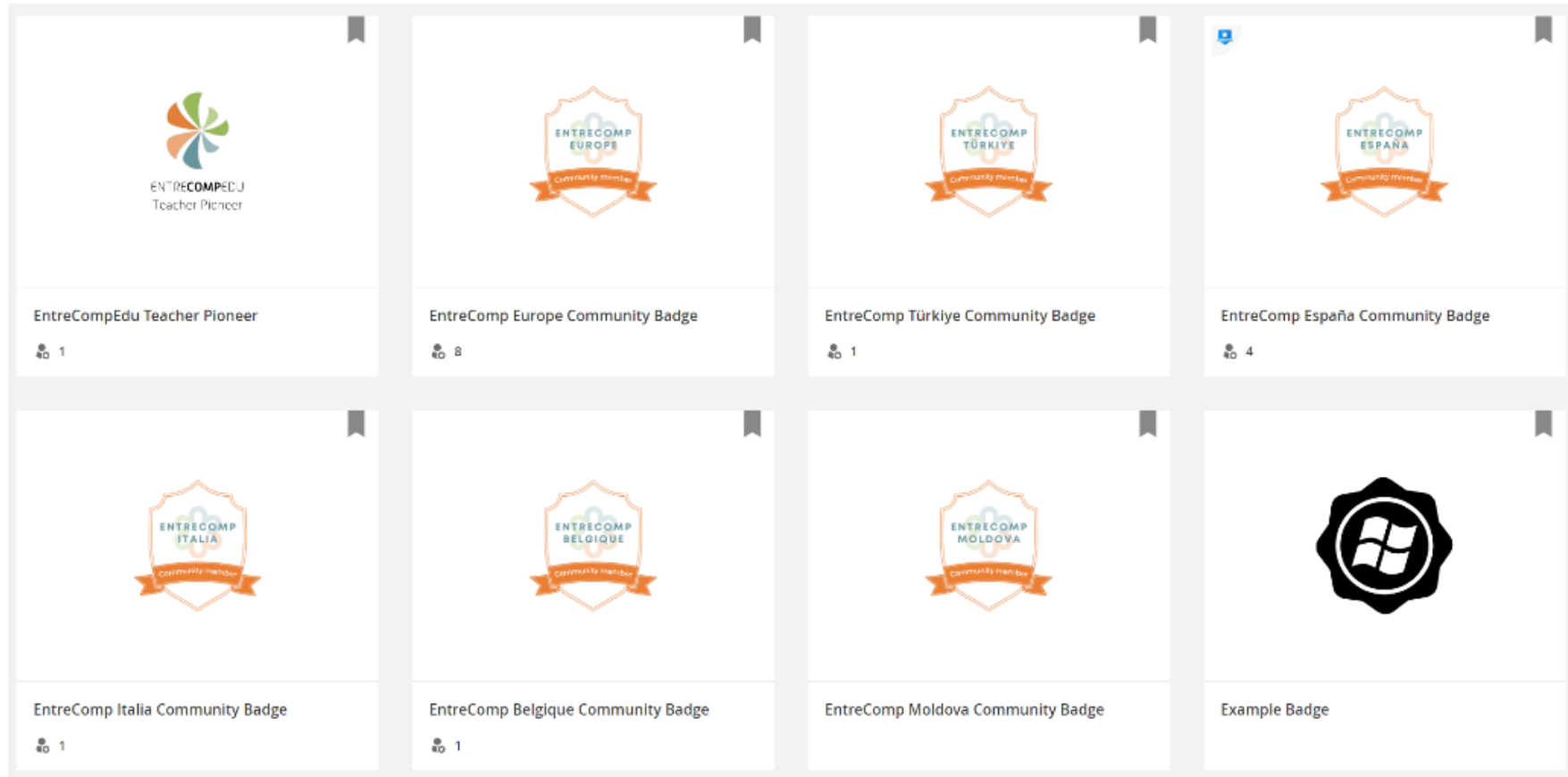
Digital badges can be issued to recognise a range of achievements – as a member of a specific community (e.g. EntreComp Moldova) or based on actions/achievements within the platform (e.g. uploading 3 practices or resources into the library, completing a playlist, or taking a course)

- Records achievements



- Reinforces good practice
- Promotes engagement

Examples of content developed for EntreComp Europe:





Final remarks

The partners have started to invite their members into the platform and the project team aims to populate it and facilitate the access and conversation into it for the entire duration of the project.

Visit [EntreComp Europe website](#) and discover more or write to: info@entrecompeurope.eu

Community

Do you want to be part of the EntreComp Europe Community? For more information about events and news from our national EntreComp Collaborative Communities, please visit the websites and Community groups listed below.

EntreComp Europe

[Website](#) | [Community](#)

EntreComp Belgique

[Website](#) | [Community](#)

EntreComp Italia

[Website](#) | [Community](#)

EntreComp Moldova

[Website](#) | [Community](#)

EntreComp España

[Website](#) | [Community](#)

EntreComp Türkiye

[Website](#) | [Community](#)

Partners

EntreComp Europe is a collaborative project bringing together partners across five European countries.

BELGIUM

Bantani Education, Eurochambres, Service Public de Wallonie

ITALY

Materahub, Comune di Matera, Camera di Commercio Della Basilicata

MOLDOVA

Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Republic of Moldova (CCIRM), National Agency for Research and Development (NARD)

SPAIN

Fundación UCEIF, SoderCan, Injuve, Junta de Extremadura Consejería de Economía, Ciencia y Agenda Digital, Spanish Chamber of Commerce

TURKEY

The Union of Chambers and Commodity Exchanges of Turkey (TOBB), Turkish National Agency Turkishna





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