

State of play: “European Excellence Label” under the FP tailor- made activities

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Need for continued education on three levels

1) EU sets up a need for common understanding of competences for RA between the EU countries

The Council of the European Union adopted a recommendation on key competences for lifelong learning in May 2018 ([Key competences for lifelong learning - Publications Office of the EU \(europa.eu\)](#)); The Porto Social Summit held on 7 and 8 May 2021, the European head of states and governments set the ambitious target that at least 60% of adults should attend training courses every year by 2030.

(Source: Presentation DTU Learn for Life)

2) EFSA – expresses in many contexts the need for continuing education/training of professionals

All relevant activities of EFSA and MSs can be handled by qualified employees in the future –training needs in relation to sustainability, data and technologies.

3) EEL and EFSA – the need to train people to carry out scientific risk assessment

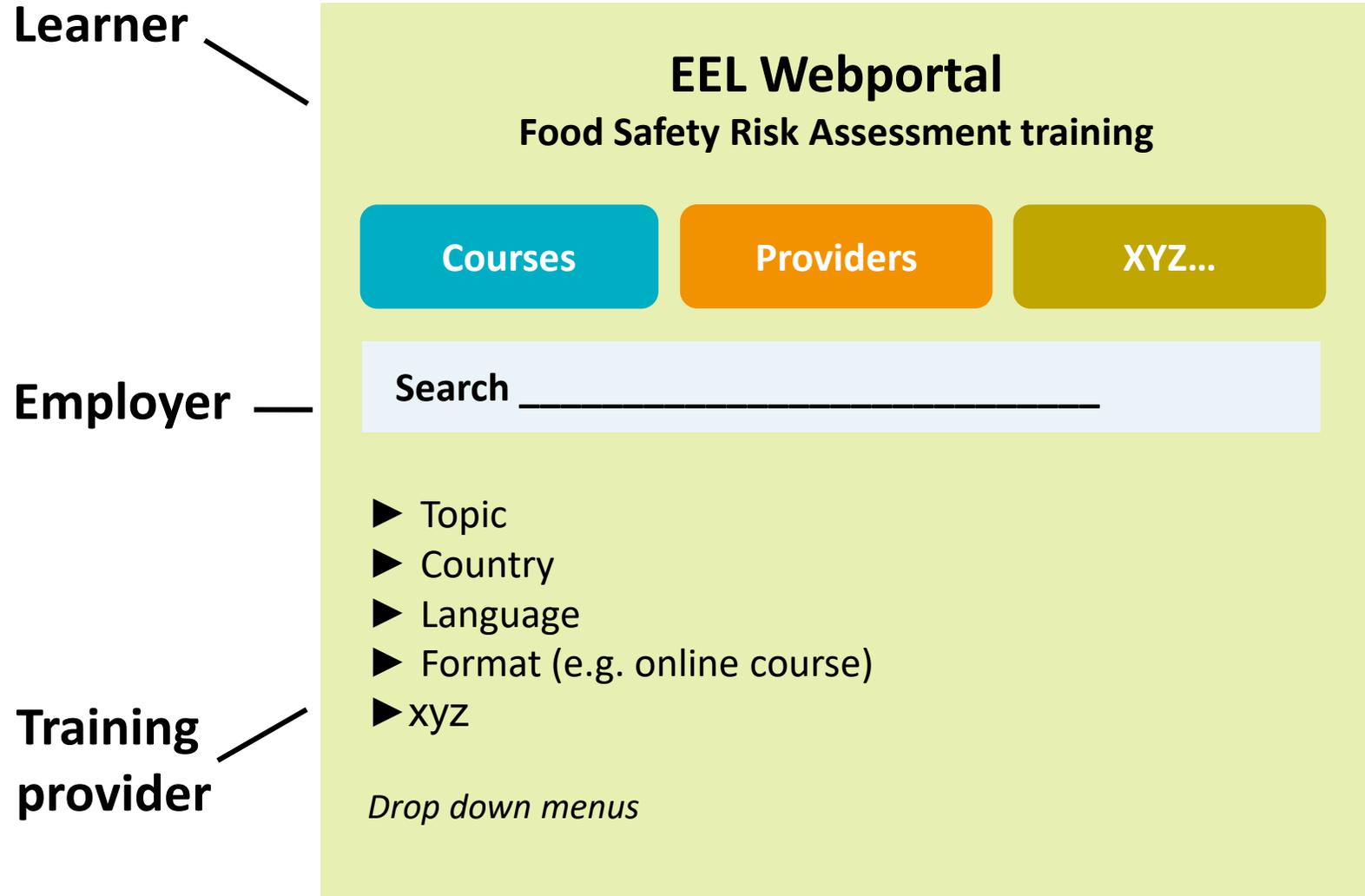
Risk assessment requires a strong, highly professional and broad foundation, which is why people who take on the task will often have been on the labor market for **many** years.

The European Excellence Label (EEL)

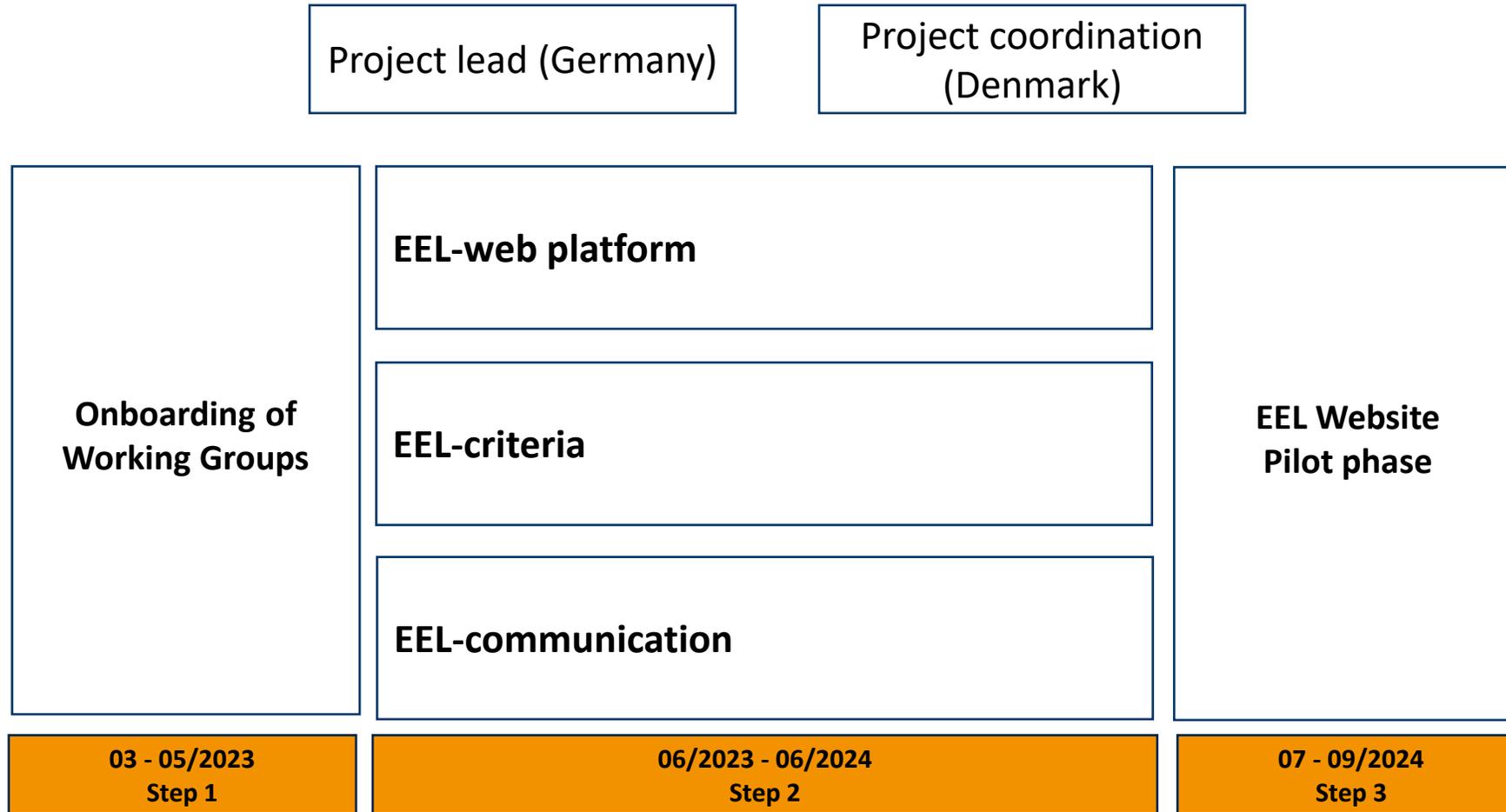
- **Seal of quality** for trainings in food safety risk assessment.
- The EEL **promotes high-quality trainings** in the field of Food Safety Risk Assessment and **provides orientation** to interested individuals and organizations on knowledge and skills that are indispensable for a risk assessor.
- By awarding the EEL, **standards for RA trainings are harmonized**. The labeled trainings are provided at a higher level, with a broader portfolio, better accessibility and a larger pool of tutoring experts.
- The **increased visibility of high-quality trainings** results in a **widened pool of competently trained food safety risk assessors**. In the long term, this will strengthen the European risk assessment network by developing the RA knowledge community on MS and EU level.



EEL – the basic idea

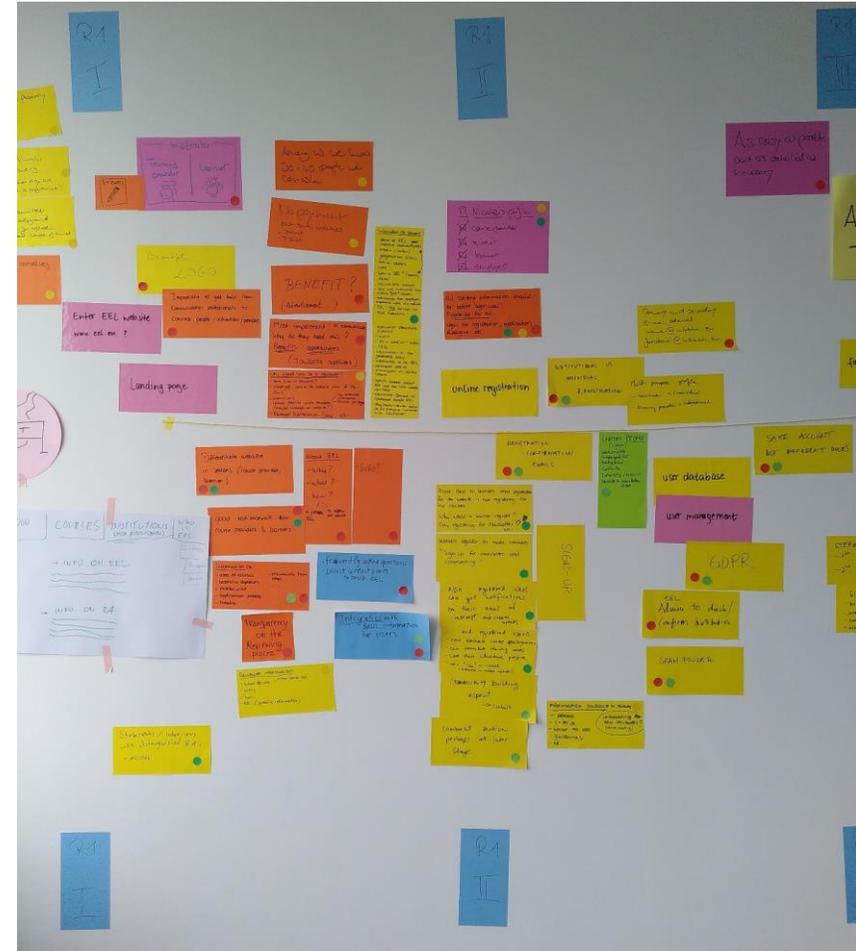


EEL activities under the Focal Point framework 2023-2027



Scenario-Workshop in Berlin, 4 – 5 July 2023

- **Method:** Testing the workflow of the EEL website step by step in theory:
 - application → review → awarding EEL
 - Website functions and interface
 - perspective of the user groups (training provider, learner, reviewer, employer)
- **Aim:** identification of potential bottlenecks and shortcomings & discuss of first solutions



Continuation of EEL under Focal Point tailor-made tasks 2024-2027

Proposal 1 EEL web platform

- Deadline for submission: 15 Oct 2023
- Duration: 01/2024 – 12/2027
- Countries: Croatia + ?
- Focus: Technical **development**, **deployment** and **maintenance** of EEL web platform
- Procurement to external web developer

Proposal 2 EEL 2.0

- Deadline for submission: 30 Mar 2024
- Duration: 10/2024 – 12/2027
- Countries: tbd
- Focus:
 - Operation** of EEL
 - Governance** of EEL
 - Concept for **Master's programme** on RA

Take away messages

- 1. Continued education is more relevant than ever.**
- 2. EEL project is progressing well in the right direction.**
- 3. The show must go on(line)! We will submit further proposals under the FP TMT framework in order to bring the theoretical groundwork into practice!**
- 4. We need your support and feedback! Please get in touch with us.**

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