

European micro-credentials and professional qualifications certification system in the banking & financial services sector

Successful Launch of the pilot MiCreS Micro-Credential in ESG for Financial Services in Ireland and Malta

The MiCreS Micro-Credential in ESG for Financial Services has successfully launched, and the pilot is now officially underway in both Ireland and Malta. This milestone marks a significant step forward in strengthening financial sector capabilities across Europe as organizations accelerate their transition toward more sustainable, resilient, and responsible economic practices. The Micro-Credential has been designed to equip learners with practical, future-focused skills that address the rapidly evolving landscape of sustainable finance.

Strong Engagement Across Both Countries

The programme has already attracted a diverse cohort of participants, including 40+ participants from banking, public authorities, funds and payment companies.

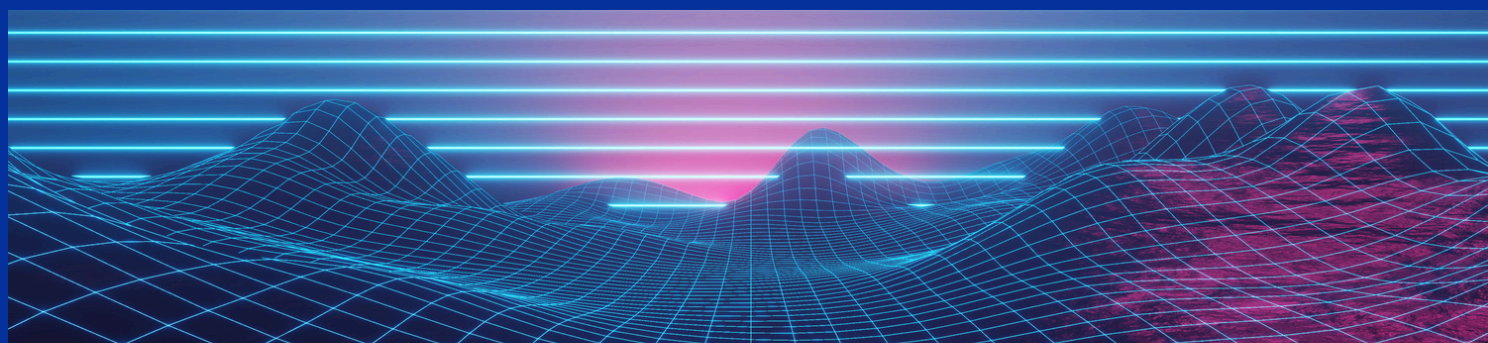
Early feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. Participants have highlighted the programme's blend of academic rigor, real-world case studies, and hands-on learnings that can be applied immediately within their organizations. The flexible, micro-credential format has also made it particularly accessible for professionals seeking to upskill without committing to a full degree.

Looking Ahead

Following the enthusiastic response in Ireland and Malta, future iterations and opportunities for roll-out are already being explored.

We extend our sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to the development and launch of the MiCreS Micro-Credential in ESG for Financial Services—our partners, industry collaborators, and the many professionals who have joined us as learners.

With the MiCreS Micro-Credential we are helping shape a financial ecosystem that supports sustainable growth, fosters innovation, and delivers long-term value for people and the planet.



Please visit [Programme | IOB](#) for more information on the MiCreS micro-credential in Ireland and [IFS Malta | Courses](#) for more information on the MiCreS micro-credential in Malta.

LATEST EVENTS

Don't miss the opportunity to relive the best moments of the MiCreS project! Visit the [project website events](#) section to explore photos from all the MiCreS events.

These events were organized in partnership with **key stakeholders** and marked significant milestones in the development and launch of our projects. Each gathering provided a platform for sharing knowledge, fostering collaboration, and discussing the future of **sustainable finance**. From insightful panel discussions to networking opportunities, our events brought together professionals and experts from various sectors to drive meaningful progress.

EFVET SHOWCASES MICRES AT ITS 34TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN PORTUGAL

During its 34th Annual Conference, “**Wellbeing in a Digitalised World – Crafting the Future of VET 2035**,” EfVET had the opportunity to present MiCreS in Fátima, Portugal.

The roundtable focused on examining the role of micro-credentials in strengthening financial development and supporting quality assurance within both the higher education (HE) and vocational education and training (VET) systems.



MICRES AT THE LIFELONG LEARNING WEEK 2025



At the Innovation Day of Lifelong Learning Week, MiCreS was invited to share its perspectives on micro-credentials, addressing key challenges such as stackability, portability, and credential recognition. The discussion highlighted how flexible, targeted learning opportunities are reshaping education and training systems—empowering learners, strengthening workforce adaptability, and supporting more inclusive pathways to skills development. We appreciate EfVET's support in giving us the opportunity to present our results.

STAY IN TOUCH!

We're excited to share that the project website is continuously updated.

Get ready to explore a wealth of valuable resources, insightful content, and engaging features designed to empower and inspire.

Stay tuned to our LinkedIn page for the latest updates and be among the first to experience our new online platform.

Don't miss this opportunity to connect, learn and grow with us.

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NEXT STEPS

In 2026, the objectives that the MiCreS Consortium aims to reach are very ambitious. MiCreS will benefit various groups and stakeholders, such as banks, policymakers, employees, students, authorities, trainers and educators through the following activities:



Development of a prototype for micro-credentialing on the EdQ blockchain (Work Package 4)



The meeting in Malta, in April 2026, where the MiCreS members will review project progress and discuss the next steps



Organisation and conduction of the MiCreS multiplier events in all partner countries, to further disseminate the project results

SEE YOU IN 2026!

As we close out the year, we want to take a moment to sincerely thank you for your invaluable partnership throughout this journey. The first half of the MiCreS project has been a remarkable success, and we are incredibly grateful for your support and collaboration. Together, we have made great strides, and we look forward to even more achievements in the coming year.

Here's to a joyful holiday season and a 2026 filled with new opportunities, growth, and continued collaboration. We are excited about the next steps in our partnership and the future of the MiCreS project.

*Stay connected with us on LinkedIn for updates and insights.
Happy Holidays!*

*Merry
Christmas*

The MiCreS team