

## MICRO 2 Digital Project Follows Up on Testing and Validating Training with Practical Guidelines for Wider Adoption

The MICRO 2 Digital project proudly announces the successful implementation of the final Test and Validation phase (WP4), of the project focused on testing and promoting training materials developed to enhance digital competences and entrepreneurship for microenterprises in rural areas in the much changed post pandemic era.

Co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the EU Commission, the project aims to advance digital skills among microenterprises in rural areas to drive growth, employment, and social empowerment. The project partnership led by Irish Rural Link includes partners from Belgium, Italy, and Spain.

Through a rigorous testing and validation process, the project has confirmed the suitability of its training material across three languages and four countries. Training sessions conducted both faceto-face and online, utilised official presentations and various online materials to illustrate concepts, showcasing the material's adaptability for diverse learning environments. Despite varying testing contexts, all partners successfully participated, indicating strong community demand for this type of learning. Positive feedback highlighted the relevance, applicability, and completeness of the material and resources.

Based on pilot sessions and project experience, practical guidelines have been developed to facilitate further adoption and replication of the training offering. These multilingual guidelines -English, Italian, Spanish - offer insights for trainers and training organisations to help easily tailor the material to local contexts, making for a more engaging and meaningful learning experience.

While the Micro 2 Digital Project reaches a formal conclusion, it's legacy will be measured by the future uptake of its training offering. Irish Rural Link, together with our European Partners are committed to assist local stakeholders bring this training to their rural enterprise communities.

Irish Rural Link will strive to build on the success of this project in future work with a similar rural enterprise development purpose.





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For comprehensive access to the official guidelines document in English, visit: <u>https://www.digitalmicro2.eu/mapping-</u> docs/MICRO2 Guidelines for further adoption of training.pdf

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