# **SEE FIRST**



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# OUR GOAL

SEE FIRST project aims to bring methods and tools to foster the employability young individuals through upskilling their soft skills (i.e. communication, creative thinking, work ethic, teamwork, and more).

It targets recent High School graduates, undergraduates of post-secondary education, and vulnerable young individualsunemployed, disadvantaged, migrants- as well as recent young employees, who want to upskill their soft skills in order to be competitive for an upgrade or a new job offer!

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# Which awareness on soft skills?

#### Some findings from the surveys

The consortium conducted some surveys to investigate the status quo of soft skills importance and awareness among employers and young and future employees.

The results of questionnaires were gathered in the different partners' countries and a general report has been composed. The survey will allow the consortium to focus on the design of the most suitable methods and tools for individualise the specific lack of knowledge in terms of each soft skill and, consequently, to provide young people with personalized training pathways instead of general training!

The most significant data emerging from the analysis of the survey is that almost all the participants (92% of the total) are aware of the high importance of Soft Skills in terms of employability. Communication Skills are considered as the most important followed very closely by Problem Solving and Team Working Skills. Participants showed a high interest in following a training path to improve and boost their soft skills, which are becoming even more fundamental and crucial in the difficult times of pandemic.



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## Last update

The last months have been rich of new products to promote the project: the consortium worked harmonically together in order to produce a press release and **two infographics** (last one on the right).

Have a look at them by visiting our site: <u>www.seefirst.eu/results</u>

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# To-Do: the next steps

The consortium of SEE FIRST met virtually in December 2020 to plan, discuss and decide the next steps for the successful implementation of the project. In particular, the partners agreed on producing action cards for soft skills. These action cards will set the stage for offering interactive, fun and engaging activities.

Moreover, the Genie, a smart tool that will incorporate the training material, was also discussed and agreed upon. The next virtual meeting, scheduled for February 2021, will for sure bring some progresses and decisions on how to make soft skills training more engaging!

Are you curious to know more? Make sure you follow SEE FIRST on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>LinkedIn</u> to discover and follow what is being prepared!



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