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### **REFOCUS Project Successfully Concludes, Delivering Innovative Educational Resources for Sustainable Transport, Shipping, and Logistics**

The REFOCUS (REthinking and Fostering Competence and skills for sUustainable transport, Shipping, and logistics) project, funded by the European Union's Erasmus+ programme, proudly announces its successful completion and the submission of all project deliverables. REFOCUS aimed to bridge the skills gap in the rapidly evolving transport, shipping, and logistics sectors by developing future-oriented, student-centered educational materials focused on sustainability, resilience, and inclusiveness.

Over its 28-month duration, the REFOCUS project achieved significant milestones. Key deliverables include a novel curriculum co-designed through interactive Communities of Practice (CoP) involving learners, educators, and industry stakeholders. Based on this curriculum, six MOOC courses were developed, incorporating innovative teaching methods like case studies and serious games. These resources address critical contemporary issues such as climate change, digitalization, and green operations in the sector. The project successfully conducted a "Train-the-Trainers" seminar and three international training schools held in the Netherlands, Greece, and Belgium, providing valuable skills and knowledge primarily to participants with fewer opportunities, including university dropouts and individuals from isolated areas. All developed materials are accessible via the online REFOCUS Competence Hub.

The conclusion of the REFOCUS project provides a timely boost to skills development within the European transport, shipping, and logistics sectors. The openly accessible resources on the REFOCUS Competence Hub offer a sustainable pathway for continuous learning and professional development, contributing to a more skilled, inclusive, and environmentally conscious workforce.

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