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## Mend The Gap Mending the Pay and Employment Gap through Ecoentrepreneurship



Mend The Gap is a 2-year project, funded with support from the Erasmus + programme. The aim is to develop innovative and sustainable learning tools that will help to reduce the gender pay and employment gap at work that exists, to varying degrees, in Europe, and which has been exacerbated by the Covid-19 pandemic.

## Where are we so far?

The project is moving forward!

We are finalizing our second major deliverable: a **train-the-trainer program** for professional educators, which includes a blended learning course program designed for educators to **teach green entrepreneurship** practices and financial education to women with fewer opportunities who want to start their businesses.

This program includes videos, interactive resources, PowerPoint and other learning materials for professional educators.

All these resources are gradually being uploaded onto **Mend The Gap's online platform,** the final version of which will be completed in July 2024.

The Women's Eco-Business Service Directory was also uploaded on the Platform Mooc.

This section of our platform is designed to **connect women in France, Italy, Spain, Greece and Ireland** with a curated list of invaluable services that cater to every aspect of establishing and growing an eco-conscious business and gaining financial independence.

The partners held **two online meetings**, on 2 February and 29 April 2024, to discuss ideas, and plan the work and subsequent project activities. We have created the **Mend The Gap YouTube channel** where we have uploaded video interviews of the women eco-entrepreneurs who told us their stories, which may inspire other women who want to start their eco businesses.

Spectrum also produced a group video with extracts of all the video interviews that will be uploaded on the Platform and all the Project's communication channels.



The Video Interviews with the Women Eco-entrepreneurs

## **Our Next Steps**

-Soon we will have the final version of **The Mend The Gap's Online platform.** 

- Our **Train the Trainer Program** will be fully available on the platform in all partners' languages along with all the other deliverables and materials.



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