

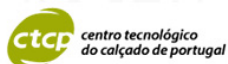


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## Fit to Comfort - Skills Alliance for comfort & healthy footwear manufacturing -

### Description

The project aims to create, pilot, and certify a new qualification profile and corresponding ICT and work-based training to address the identified skills and competences gap in comfort and healthy footwear. With longer life expectancy, adequate footwear can prevent back and foot pain throughout one's life, resulting in growing demand for healthy and comfortable footwear. Moreover, consumers of all ages increasingly demand comfortable shoes that also incorporate fashion trends. By creating a qualification specialised in healthy and comfortable footwear, the project will increase competitiveness, entrepreneurship, and employability in this sector while satisfying consumers' needs.

### Objectives

- To respond to an identified skills' gap
- To improve key competences in comfortable and healthy footwear
- To provide a new qualification certified in four different EU countries (Portugal, Germany, Romania and Spain)
- To raise awareness on the potential for growth in healthy and comfortable footwear
- To increase differentiation and entrepreneurship
- To merge comfort with fashion
- To communicate the product (new qualification) and establish a network of footwear stakeholders to exchange knowledge of best practices

### Expected Outcomes

- Certified profile and training on Comfort and Healthy footwear
- New cluster of Moda Comfort
- New research projects in this field
- New demand in components for comfort & healthy footwear
- Response to consumer demands
- Fewer beautiful shoes left-behind in consumers' closets!

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