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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In 2023, BTSF ACADEMY continued to assist in the delivery of BTSF training by contractors through Face-to-face (F2F) and Virtual Classrooms (VC) courses. Of the 195 training sessions that were organised, 190 were F2F and only 6 were VC. In total, 5700 participants were trained by the BTSF contractors. BTSF ACADEMY provides participants with online access to all course materials, and it serves as the interface for course registration and feedback for all training, face-to-face, virtual classrooms and eLearning activities. In this year 2800 participants chose BTSF eLearning courses.

The launch of the **EU Login** authentication on 30 June 2023 was a requirement by DIGIT S which the BTSF ACADEMY had to comply with. A BTSF ACADEMY **migration tool** was developed to help end-users update their profile. The BTSF ACADEMY Team migrated Commission staff, NCP and contractors' profiles manually. Bulk migration of ~400 EC users was completed on 30 June 2023. The implementation of the service required changes in enrolment and other processes. The updates of the processes went smoothly. BTSF training providers only reported a lack of willingness to open EU Login accounts in non-EU countries.

The BTSF ACADEMY Team developed and implemented a plugin which made the BTSF ACADEMY available in 22 EU languages. It connects to the European Commission's eTranslation service and it is capable of translating the pages of the BTSF ACADEMY, pre- and post-tests, learning materials and Dissemination Kits. This feature supports the "train the trainers" principle of the BTSF initiative by responding to Member States' concerns over linguistic diversity by making training materials available in languages other than English for further dissemination and use.

The BTSF ACADEMY was upgraded in August 2023 to the latest release of Moodle 3.11.

In 2023, the Team also:

- Implemented a **minor upgrade** of the infrastructure, including an LMS update, IT infrastructure update and the update of technical procedures and administrative protocols.
- Upgraded and published the Web Accessibility statement to match EC requirements,
- Provided Consultancy services on the implementation of eLearning activities and business analysis of potential training solutions
 - Review of deliverables for new eLearning courses (20229613, 20229615, 20229616) currently in-progress: delivery delayed by external contractors.
- Implemented security improvements (GovIS2, GRC reassessment and infrastructure upgrades) applied to the system, following requests from DIGIT S.
- Presented Learning hours: technical guidance sessions for BTSF training providers according to their needs. Five sessions were delivered from Jan 2023.
- Attended and gave extensive presentations and training at NCP Working group meetings, in June (hybrid in Grange, Ireland) and November (virtual).
- Updated the Animal welfare at slaughter including killing for disease control eLearning module
 - Full review and update of contents in coordination with DG SANTE.
 - Updated unit implementation, graphic enhancements and rebuilding source files.
 - Making the units ready for in-browser translation.
- o Business continuity and operational daily management tasks, including support to stakeholders, worldwide.



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2. SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES

Period	Activities
	Connection to EU Login authentication system achieved.
	eTranslation integration achieved, BTSF ACADEMY is available in 22 EU languages.
	Security improvements and compliance:
	GovIS2 updated, GRC reassessment submitted, IT infrastructure updated
	Guidance on BTSF procedures for contractors: training sessions on information submission and publication. NewsRoom two newsletters issued.
2023	Support in developing new eLearning modules - consultancy, evaluation of deliverables.
	Maintenance and update of existing eLearning courses.
	New reports including Attendance reports published.
	Minor upgrade of BTSF ACADEMY: LMS update, IT infrastructure updated to be safer.
	BTSF Library for all registered users.
	Course Planner published bi-weekly.
	BTSF ACADEMY an official website of the EU



3. ENGAGEMENT

Training activities - Virtual Classrooms and Face-to-face 2023



Virtual Classrooms & Face-to-face

BTSF
ACADEMY
Better Training for Safer Food
VIRTUAL MEETING ROOM

>120

Thematic courses

190 F2F + 6 VC

Training Events

Participation from

137 countries

>5700

enrolments

35 Training providers

>3700 EU MS

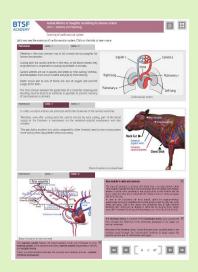
>2000 non-EU

Training providers: external contractors covering the services under the BTSF initiative.



Training activities – eLearning 2023





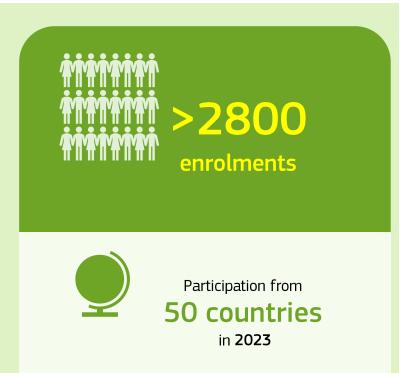
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eLearning courses

Update of content in progress

2 modules were updated

3 Contracts for eLearning in development





4.SERVICE PROVISION / OPERATIVE OVERVIEW

Service provision

The **BTSF ACADEMY** carries out the multiple tasks below and works with external inputs from contractors and BTSF national contact points to assist in the delivery of successful training outcomes.



Direction and planning



Coordination



Daily management



IT infrastructure management



Development of new features



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Content management



User management



Help Desk Support services



Reports and statistics



Consultancy and Knowledge Transfer



Communication and promotion



BTSF ACADEMY

Figure 1. Schematic of the BTSF ACADEMY