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As the project outcomes will be freely accessible on the home page of the project, their availability will be open to all European vocational training institution, developer or user.

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