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## Capacity-Building Programme to Boost Business Angels Ecosystem is Coming to Six European Countries

The EU-funded [ESIL initiative](#), is ready to enhance the Business Angels ecosystems in six selected countries where the investment landscape is still in need of development: **Bulgaria, Croatia, Czechia, Hungary, Poland, and Romania.**

To achieve this goal, ESIL is organising a 16-hour in-person training course access to a series of online webinars, led by highly experienced business angels and local angel investing leaders in each of the selected countries. These training courses aim to empower the current and future 'European Next Generation of Angels'.

Capacity-building training will provide an invaluable opportunity to learn from leading figures in the most developed Angel Investment markets across Europe. The training program aims to enhance the competence and knowledge of early-stage, high-growth potential businesses, with the aim of encouraging more (female) angels to start and successfully invest.

Jenny Tooth OBE, VP diversity of Business Angels Europe and content creator of the training courses, comments:

*“ESIL recognises that, access to professional knowledge and insights on the art of successful investing, is key to both building the skills and effectiveness of existing Angel investors and enabling many more individuals in the six target countries to learn how to Angel invest. We hope that many individuals in each country, including a strong number of women, will be attracted to take part in this exclusive programme and boost their potential to back entrepreneurship and innovation.”*

### Upcoming Trainings

- **Croatia: October 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Co-organised: CVC and Feelsgood Capital  
Location: Zagreb  
Apply by: Sunday 15th September

- **Poland: October 11-13, 2024**

Co-organised: APER Ventures  
Location: Warsaw  
Apply by: Monday 9th September

- **Romania: October 2-3, 2024 (tbc)**

Co-organised with: Tech Angels, Bravva Angels  
Location: Bucharest

- **Hungary: November 8-9, 2024**

Co-organised with: HunBan  
Location: Budapest  
Apply by: Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September

- **Bulgaria: October 3-4, 2024**  
Co-organised with: Bulgarian Angels Club  
Location: Sofia  
Apply by: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September

- **Czechia: November 14-15, 2024**  
(tbc)  
Co-organised with: Lumus Investment  
Collective and Czech Business Angel  
Association  
Location: Brno

## Apply to the training and join of the Next Generation of Angels across Europe

This programme is designed for individuals from various backgrounds, including successful entrepreneurs and those with experience in technology, engineering, and innovation. All potential candidates, especially women, and people of all ages, are invited to visit the ESIL website and apply before the indicated deadlines.

The essential criterion is having the spare financial capacity to invest and a willingness to take risks to support early-stage businesses. Business skills and expertise, coupled with a strong motivation to support start-ups in their growth journey, with a view to achieving potential returns on investment.

### Useful links

- Registration [here](#).
- More about the [Capacity-building Programmes](#)

### About ESIL, Empowering the Next Gen of Angels

ESIL is dedicated to boosting Europe's innovative ecosystems through the creation of a thriving, connected and diverse angel investment community across all the countries of Europe, whilst strengthening those markets where angel investment may still be lagging behind.

ESIL is supported by funding from the European Union through the European Innovation Council and SME Executive Agency EISMEA. ESIL will be delivered by a consortium of highly experienced ecosystem players, deeply embedded in European investment and innovation ecosystems, composed of [META Group](#), [BAE](#) and [Bpifrance](#).

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- Angel investment
- Business Angels ecosystems



- Women Angels
- Expert Angel Trainers
- Face-to-face learning
- Capacity building programme
- Experienced Angel Investors
- EU-funded ESIL initiative
- European Next Generation of Angels

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