

# Europäisches Bildungswerk für Beruf und Gesellschaft

## European Association for Vocational and Social Education European Association for Vocational and Social Education (EBG gGmbH/limited company)

### **Idea**

The essential vision of the European Union on the future can be described as a “Europe of Knowledge” based on lifelong-learning of the individual.

In times of economic changes and rapid technological developments, education is an important investment and the prerequisite for personal self-realization.

The European Association for Vocational and Social Education (EBG) provides an answer to this need. It offers

- starting entrepreneurs
  
- employees
  
- companies

qualified training, further education and retraining programmes which will increase their possibilities on the European and international labour market.

### **Concept**

The EBG was founded in 1990 in Düsseldorf as an independent and non-profit association. Co-ordinated by the umbrella organization in Düsseldorf, it is presently active in 8 legally independent associations in the federal countries of

- Brandenburg
- Saxony-Anhalt (North)
- Saxony-Anhalt (South)
- Saxony
- Thuringia
- North Rhine-Westphalia
- Berlin
- Rhineland-Palatinate

The present 31 training centres in Germany and other European countries offer an extensive spectrum of training programmes.

Qualified trainers, state-of-the-art computer labs and training facilities guarantee an efficient learning environment and high-quality training programmes as well as qualifications that are relevant for the labour market.

The technical colleges offer programmes for national official qualifications.

In some of the programmes for training and further education, it is possible to take officially recognized tests with the chambers for handicrafts. These tests lead to the respective qualifications.