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Factsheet for case GR-2020-11/693

Distance learning introduced for public training programs

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Country	Greece, applies nationwide
Time period	Open ended, started on 14 March 2020
Type	Legislation or other statutory regulation
Category	Employment protection and retention – Enhancing employability and training
Case created	16 April 2020 (updated 04 May 2020)

Background information

The government with a law (art 19 of the Official Government Gazette A64, March 14, 2020), in the contest of the “emergency contingency measures to address the need to limit the spread of the coronavirus COVID-19”, introduces the emergency application of distance learning for publicly financed programs for unemployed and employees. The programs which concern the consulting support or training and certification of knowledge and skills, may continue to be implemented entirely remotely (distance learning) by derogation of any other provision, from March 14, 2020 and after.

Content of measure

The programs of the Minister of Labor for the unemployed and employed, co-financed by European funds that are either in preparation for integration into funding from national and European resources, or have already been integrated or are in progress and include the consulting support or training and certification of knowledge and skills, may continue to be implemented entirely remotely (distance learning) by derogation of any other provision, from March 14, 2020 and after. The certification by remote method is implemented through an online surveillance system, the specifications of which have been accredited by the National Accreditation System. The measure is exceptional in nature.

Use of measure

The number of persons affected by the measure is not known.

Actors, target groups and funding

Actors	Target groups	Funding
National government	Employees Unemployed	European Funds National funds

Social partners

Role of social partners	Not applicable
Form of involvement	Not applicable

The government has designed this measure.

Sectors and occupations

This case is not sector-specific.

This case is not occupation-specific.

Sources

- 14 March 2020: Legislative Act "Emergency contingency measures to address the need to limit the spread of coronavirus Covid19", Official Government Gazette A64, March 14, 2020. (www.aade.gr)