

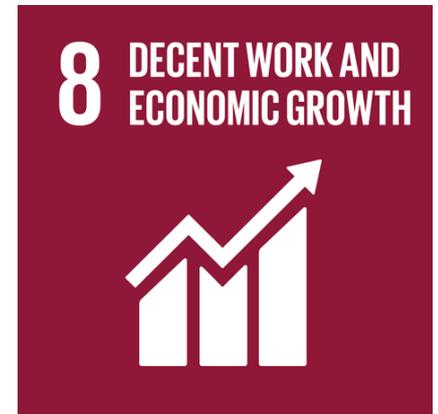
Skills Academy

West College Scotland



The project

West College Scotland partnered with AC Whyte to create a Skills Academy that upskills students to apply thermal insulation. This was a response to a company-identified **skills shortage**, developing a previously under-performing course into a recognised **industry qualification** with a guarantee of **employment** upon completion.



Outcomes and implications

- The course will be provided to 60 students over the 5-year project (12 students per year)
- The project integrates **sustainability into the curriculum** and helps address the wider issue of **fuel poverty** across Scotland
- The project will support **economic activity and growth** in the area as it is a direct result of consultation with the industry to identify skill shortages



SDGs

The project supports **SDG8** by **responding to industry needs** in the local area and **equipping students with the skills** needed by the industry

By **working collaboratively** with a **local company** to understand and address the needs of the industry the project is an example of **SDG17**

As the project equips students with skills to **upgrade infrastructure** by improving energy efficiency and reducing fuel poverty, and by integrating sustainability into the curriculum, the project supports **SDG4** and **SDG9**

