







Conclusions WaTT in STEaM

Macro level (Structural Level /Society in total)

- Work on the image of VET education: female choose for kindergarten or lower education where university educated teachers go to high school/university. VET system is unknown for future teachers from teacher training academies.
- 2. Start as early as possible with children to inform them
- 3. Integrated STEM teaching is important; for instance use SDG's in your curricula as subject to learn about STEM

Meso-level (Organisational level /groups of people)

- 1. Be aware that you should not only focus on attracting new female teachers but also pay attention to your present team of teachers
- 2. Find your teachers for instance under students from higher education and universities in Technical studies; do that by working on your image as VET
- 3. Work together with companies to recruit/attract female teachers from the industry (less wage but more time)
- 4. We cannot do it alone; we need partnerships
- 5. Gender bias and unconscious bias is still present; you could use this theme as study item in existing teams.
 - Unconscious bias training should be repeated (not only one day) with your existing team
- 6. Use the correct words in advertisements; not only in words but also in atmosphere.
- 7. Encourage girls to give them "other" roles than expected (what we learned in Iceland).
- 8. Give parents more position; family is the key. Role of parents is crucial.
- 9. You need technical specialists to give the introduction courses (if the teacher is a generalist without passion the student loses interest).
- 10. Good alumni policy is important; for good contacts with the companies but also to keep an eye on potential teachers or guest-teachers.

Micro level (Individual level)

- 1. You have to attract and stimulate female students for STEM: they are target group to become teachers
- 2. Teachers are the vehicle for inspiration for students
- 3. If a director calls a former female student(from Technical VET school) to offer a job as a teacher or invite her to apply it might convince her as they did not consider this before.



All levels

Important insight is that the golden button to push on is not found; you have to see it on a more holistic way you need all the instruments

• The role of a female teacher is not always that important as we thought when we started the project. But still we need role models.



