

Regulation on exchange organisations

POLICY DEVELOPMENT**REGULATION/LEGISLATION****NORWAY**

Timeline

2019 Completed**ID number 29046**

Background

The Ministry of Education and Research submitted the proposals for a new regulation on public consultation in 2019; the regulation was adopted based on input from relevant stakeholders.

Objectives

It is expected that exchange of students and cooperation across national borders will become clearer, more predictable and safer.

Description

The new regulation intends to ensure that:

- (a) conditions for approval are clarified, for easier assessment of whether the conditions have been met during the approval period;
- (b) conditions for withdrawal of approval specify the criteria on which the assessment is based;
- (c) exchange organisations and school owners make information on relevant cultural and safety issues related to their stay available to students and their guardians at an early stage;
- (d) responsibilities will be clearly defined, including the responsibility of the exchange organisations and school owners for the safety of pupils;
- (e) exchange organisations report annually on the status of routines and other grounds for approval. The organisations and school owners have both to report immediately any serious incidents that result in breach of terms.

2019 Completed

The new regulation was adopted.

Bodies responsible

- Ministry of Education and Research (KD)

Target group

Learners

Learners in upper secondary, including apprentices

Thematic categories

Governance of VET and lifelong learning

Coordinating VET and other policies

Engaging VET stakeholders and strengthening partnerships in VET

European and international dimensions of VET

Mobility of learners and staff

Subsystem

IVET

Further reading

[Public consultation documents](#)

[Regulations on exchange cooperation between Norwegian upper secondary schools and foreign schools](#)

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