

Social partner pact for employment and training

POLICY DEVELOPMENT

STRATEGY/ACTION PLAN

 BELGIUM-FR

Timeline

2016 **Approved/Agreed** 2017 **Discontinued**

ID number 28017

Background

This setting up of the pact was announced in the Regional Policy Declaration of 2014, followed by a 15-month social consultation.

Objectives

This pact aims to create sustainable and quality jobs in order to contribute fully to economic growth.

Description

Trade unions, employers and the Walloon government signed the first Pact for employment and training in 2016. The pact focused on six areas:

- (a) reorganisation of employment aids;
- (b) creation of training places for dual VET learners;
- (c) reinforcing lifelong guidance;
- (d) creation of integration contracts for young people;
- (e) financial incentives for adult CVET;
- (f) supporting social dialogue in Wallonia.

The Employment and training pact was discontinued at the end of 2017 due to the change of government. Some measures from the pact, particularly the reform of employment and training aids, have been pursued through legislative acts by subsequent governments.

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Bodies responsible

- Ministry of Employment and Vocational Training in the Walloon Region

Target group

Learners

Young people (15-29 years old)
Young people not in employment, education or training (NEETs)
Adult learners
Unemployed and jobseekers
Low-skilled/qualified persons

Thematic categories

Governance of VET and lifelong learning

Coordinating VET and other policies

Modernising VET offer and delivery

Reinforcing work-based learning, including apprenticeships

Supporting lifelong learning culture and increasing participation

Financial and non-financial incentives to learners, providers and companies
Lifelong guidance

Subsystem

IVET CVET

Further reading

[Pact for employment and training](#)

Related policy developments

2025 Implementation

Measures of guidance and promotion of work-based learning

The Order of the Government of the French Community on work-study contracts was approved on the 17.7.2015 and introduced the single contact, which defines the roles and needs to be signed by the stakeholders involved in dual training, namely the apprentice, the training company and the VET provid

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Type of development

Practical
measure/Initiative

Subsystem

IVET

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