

European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training





Study visits programme

Workshop on 'Enhancing quality in schools and VET institutions' 17-18 February 2011, Bonn

Venue: Pädagogischer Austauschdienst (PAD) der Kultusministerkonferenz

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Participants:

The workshop brings together 30 participants and organisers of study visits on the topic of quality assurance in schools and VET institutions, representatives of initiatives identified as examples of good practice during the visits and experts on the topic involved in EU projects and networks. They are educational and vocational training inspectors, ministry officials, representatives of local authorities and national agencies responsible for external and internal evaluation, directors and quality assurance managers of education and vocational training institutions.

Objectives:

- ✓ Discuss and validate the findings of the two peer learning study visits on "Quality assurance mechanisms in schools and training institutions" that took place in Vilnius (Lithuania) on 27.09-01.10.2010 and in Hamburg (Germany) on 29.11-03.12.2010.
- discuss examples of good practices on external and internal evaluation identified during study visits;
- ✓ Produce recommendations for policy and decision makers responsible for setting the right conditions at system and provider level to promote an evaluation culture in schools and VET institutions.

Workshop Outcomes:

The outcomes of the workshop will provide a better understanding of policy and practice in the above mentioned areas and will be disseminated to experts dealing with evaluation of schools and training institutions in EU countries.

They will also be used to prepare study visits in the future.

Thursday, 17 February 2011		
9.30 - 10.00	Registration	
10.00 - 10.30	Opening and welcome Thomas Spielkamp, Deputy Director, National Agency - PAD	
	Michaela Feuerstein, Study visits co-ordinator, Cedefop	
	Roxana Calfa, Programme manager, European Commission - DGEAC	
10.30 - 11.00	Key note speeches	
	EU level developments in quality assurance in VET: The EQAVET Recommendation and its implementation in Germany, Thomas Gruber, Project Head DEQA-VET	
	Internal and external quality management for vocational schools in Germany, Claudia Galetzka, Headmistress, Max-Eyth-Schule	
11.00 – 11.15	Discussion	
11.15 - 11.45	Coffee break	
11.45 – 12.15	Presentation of the findings from the two study visits	
	George Kostakis, Expert - Study visits, Cedefop	
12.15 – 13.00	Introduction to the working sessions - Ice breaking exercise	
	George Kostakis, Expert - Study visits, Cedefop	
13.00 – 14.30	Lunch at CJD	
	Working sessions	
	 How to avoid red-tape in external evaluation? Host: Rune Knutsen (NO), Adviser Reporter: Jeannette Raupach (DE), Team coordinator for external evaluation 	
14.30 – 17.30	2. How to build a culture of internal evaluation in schools and VET institutions? Host: Max Cannon (IE), Principal teacher Reporter: Asta Rinkeviciene (LT), Teacher	
	3. Internal and external evaluation: towards a continuum. Host: Anton Dijkhuis (NL), Policy adviser Educ. and Quality Ass. Reporter: Gabriela Alina Paraschiva (RO), Head of the Accreditation Department	
19:00	Dinner at "Em Höttche" offered by Cedefop	

Friday, 18 February 2011	
10.00 – 10.30	Reporting on the working sessions
10.30 – 10.45	Discussion
10.45 – 11.30	Examples of good practices in European countries
	➤ A model of mutual 'visitations' as a tool for improvement of school management, Aad Hendriks, (NL), (former) Principal
	Excellence model in external evaluation in VET in Catalonia, Camps Ratera Josep (ES), Network Co-ordinator of Quality assurance project in Catalonia
11.30 – 12.00	Coffee break
12.00 - 12.45	Panel Discussion
	The shift from a control process to an evaluation culture for quality improvement
	Moderator: George Kostakis, Expert - Study visits, Cedefop
	Speakers:
	 Monika Renz (DE), Head of section
	 Vida Kamenskiene (LT), Head of Division
	Renata Pavlaviciene (LT), Expert
12.45 - 13.00	Conclusions
	Roxana Calfa, Programme manager, European Commission - DGEAC
	Michaela Feuerstein, Study visits co-ordinator, Cedefop
13.15	Lunch at CJD