

AGENDA

VALIDATION WORKSHOP

“Evaluating impact and success for VET policies to tackle early leaving from education and training”

Brussels, 21 October 2015

Venue: ICF International, 146 Rue Royale, B-1000 Brussels, 3rd floor.

The aim of this workshop is to discuss the preliminary findings of Cedefop study on “The Role of VET in addressing early leaving from education and training”¹. Focusing on VET, the study analysed: the rates of early leaving; the factors that lead to early leaving; the measures that are effective in preventing and addressing the phenomenon and how these are being evaluated and mainstreamed.

The workshop will be structured in 5 thematic sessions. Each session addresses a key question and includes work in groups. Participants are expected to be prepared for the workshop by doing two exercises at home (prior to the workshop). The exercises are presented in and annexed to the Concept Paper and to a separate word file: Homework.

Inputs to the day

In addition to Cedefop presentations on main study findings, the following inputs to the discussion will be provided:

- Presentation by two projects focusing on developing concrete tools to tackle ELET at the level of schools:
 - Crocoos²
 - Recognise, remedy and reengage³
- Presentation by a research project Reducing Early School Leaving in Europe (RESL.eu) on cross-case evaluation of school-based prevention and intervention measures that focus on tackling ESL within the school environment⁴.

A panel discussion with European and international actors will focus on:




- a) The local implementation of employment initiative and youth guarantees, and factors affecting their success;
- b) how to make VET related policies more inclusive;
- c) Erasmus + and its contribution to evidence based policy making in VET.




¹ <http://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/events-and-projects/projects/early-leaving-education-and-training>

² <http://oktataskesztes.tka.hu/en/crocoos-project>

³ <http://recognize-remedy-reengage.com/>

⁴ <https://www.uantwerpen.be/en/projects/resl-eu/>

9.00-9.30	<p>Registration Handover of reimbursement forms and supported documents</p>
9:30-10:00	<p>Introductory speech and opening presentation on the factors affecting early leaving from VET</p> <p><i>Irene Psifidou, Cedefop</i></p> <p><i>Daniela Ulicna, ICF</i></p>
10:00-11:00	<p>Session 1: Features of effective VET measures</p> <p>This session focuses on discussing the effective approaches being put in place to prevent or remedy early leaving.</p> <p><i>Daniela Ulicna and Patricia Vale, ICF</i></p>  <p><i>Group work</i></p>
11.00-11.15	<p>Coffee break</p>
11.15-12.30	<p>Session 2: Tools for implementation</p> <p>This session focuses on the process through which the measures are designed and implemented and the key features of successful measures.</p> <p>Learning from the CROCOOS project <i>Krisztina Mihályi, Tempus Public Foundation</i></p> <p>Learning from the Recognize, Remedy, Re-engage project <i>Beatrix Charlier, Ecole Privée Marie-Consolatrice</i></p>  <p><i>Group Work</i></p>
12:30-13:30	<p>Lunch offered by Cedefop</p>
13:30-14:30	<p>Session 3: Monitoring and evaluation</p> <p>This session will discuss the use of data monitoring and evaluation of results for decision-making at different levels.</p> <p>Learning from the Resl.eu <i>Ward Nouwen, University of Antwerp</i></p>  <p><i>Group Work</i></p>

14:30-15:30	<p>Session 4: Transferability and sustainability</p> <p>This session will discuss the processes put in place to support learning and transfer from successful examples of policy and practice at different levels: among education and training providers; regions and system.</p> <p><i>Daniela Ulicna and Patricia Vale ICF</i></p>  <p>Group Work</p>
15:30-16:45	<p>Session 5: Key policy messages</p> <p>This session will focus on formulating key messages which will be captured in short policy briefs for local, national and EU stakeholders accompanying the study.</p>  <p>Panel Discussion:</p> <p><i>Ann Vanden Bulcke, European Commission</i> <i>Anna Rubin, OECD</i> <i>Simona Abbatangelo, EACEA</i></p>  <p>Group Work</p>
16:45-17:00	<p>Closing and follow up activities</p> <p><i>Irene Psifidou, Cedefop</i></p>
17:00	<p>End of the event</p>