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AO/RPA/KPOUL-JVLOO-GRUSSO/SkillsObsolescenceSurvey/11/12
“Skills obsolescence and skill mismatch among European workers: Data collection”

Clarification – Questions and answers (4)

Question 1

With regard to broad sectors – are you thinking in terms of 6 broad sectors e.g. primary sector/utilities; manufacturing *etc.*, or some other broad classification.

Cedefop answer 1

As a guideline, it is sufficient to ensure representativeness in terms of 4-6 broad sectors.

Question 2

With regard to occupations – in terms of ISCO classification what level of occupational granularity do you want? The 9 (or 10) ‘single digit’ major groups or the 26 ‘double digit’ groups? Can you confirm that you want the samples to be representative of occupational groups at national as well as international level.

Cedefop answer 2

Representativeness at national and international level with respect to major (1-digit) ISCO groups is sufficient.

Question 3

With regard to educational level – would you be content to group Isced Levels into 3 larger groupings – low, medium and high

Cedefop answer 3

Representativeness with regard to educational level with respect to 3 larger ISCED levels is sufficient.

Question 4

Do you have a view about the relative importance of the different dimensions set out for representativeness, for example, are you particularly concerned with employment sector or with

occupation? We are thinking about stratifying our sample and this would help us to determine the relative importance of each stratum.

Cedefop answer 4

Representativeness in terms of occupation and educational level is most important.

As a general comment, we would like to kindly request you to refer to section 2 of the Terms of Reference, from where you can derive the above answers to your questions.