

18th ReferNet annual plenary meeting





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MEETING OBJECTIVES

The 18th ReferNet annual plenary meeting will be held virtually on 2, 3 and 4 December 2020, aiming to:

- bring together national representatives for ReferNet, ReferNet partners, Cedefop experts involved in ReferNet activities, as well as representatives of the European Commission and the European Training Foundation (ETF);
- inform ReferNet partners and national representatives of the latest EU VET policy developments, particularly the Osnabrück declaration and its impact on the network's activities;
- review the 2020 ReferNet deliverables and prepare the 2021 work plan;
- organise a knowledge-sharing platform on VET topics originating from the Osnabrück declaration, to be piloted by ReferNet partners;
- provide opportunities for informal meetings which will promote the network's spirit of collaboration and partnership, help newcomers become acquainted with existing partners and Cedefop experts, and familiarise themselves with the network's operation.

WEDNESDAY, 2 DECEMBER 2020

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9.30-10.00	PARTICIPANT LOG-IN, TECHNICAL CHECK	
10.00-10.10	WELCOME AND OPENING OF THE 18TH REFERNET PLENARY MEETING (plenary) Jürgen Siebel, Executive Director, Cedefop	
	Chair: Loukas Zahilas, Head of department for VET systems and institutions, Cedefop	
10.10-10.55	PRESENTATION OF PARTICIPANTS (plenary) Sylvie Bousquet, ReferNet coordinator, Department for VET systems and institutions,	
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10.55-11.15	SESSION 1. LATEST EU VET POLICY DEVELOPMENTS (plenary)	
	Jan Varchola, team leader, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, Unit E3 – VET, apprenticeships and adult learning, European Commission	
11.15-11.30	SESSION 2. INTERNATIONALISATION OF VET (plenary)	
	Georgios Zisimos, Senior specialist in EU education and training policies, Operations department, European Training Foundation (ETF)	
	Chair: Loukas Zahilas, Head of department for VET systems and institutions, Cedefop	
11.30-11.45	COFFEE BREAK	
11.45-12.45	SESSION 3. REVIEW OF THE 2020 WORK PLAN (plenary)	
	Introduction: Sylvie Bousquet, ReferNet coordinator	
	11.45-12.00	
	ReferNet non-papers in contribution to Cedefop's strategy for VET in the next decade	
	Antonio Ranieri, Head of department, and Vlasis Korovilos, expert, Department for learning and employability, Cedefop	
	12.00-12.30	
	Future of VET in Europe Jens Bjørnåvold and Anastasia Pouliou, experts, Department for VET systems and institutions, Cedefop	
	12.30-12.45	
	Mobility scoreboard Hélène Hamers, expert, Department for VET systems and institutions, Cedefop	
12.45-13.00	SESSION 4. REFERNET PLATFORM AND DISCUSSION FORUM (plenary)	
	Presentation: Sylvie Bousquet, ReferNet coordinator, and Steven Bainbridge, expert, Department for learning and employability, Cedefop	
13.00-14.00	VIRTUAL LUNCH AND INTEGRATION OF NEWCOMERS IN SMALL GROUPS (six open groups for participants who wish to have lunch together)	
14.00-14.50	SESSION 5. REFERNET PLATFORM AND DISCUSSION FORUM	
	14.00-14.30 Working groups (four break-out groups)	
	14.30-14.50	
	Reporting (plenary)	
14.50-15.00	CONCLUSIONS FROM MEETING DAY 1 (plenary)	
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THURSDAY, **3 DECEMBER** 2020 (All times are CET – Central European Time)

9.00-9.30	PARTICIPANT LOG-IN, TECHNICAL CHECK
9.30-10.00	SESSION 6. REPORTING AND PUBLISHING (plenary) Gerd Oskar Bausewein, Head of department for communication, and Michalis Tanakidis, Publications coordinator, Cedefop
10.00-11.00	SESSION 7. 2021 WORK PLAN – VET POLICY REPORTING George Kostakis, Coordinator VET policies and systems, and Irina Jemeljanova, expert, Department for VET systems and institutions, Cedefop
	10.00-10.30 Policy reporting – revised approach and planning (plenary) 10.30-11.00 Working groups (four break-out groups)
11.00-11.15	COFFEE BREAK
11.15-12.00	SESSION 8. WRAP-UP OF SESSION 7 AND DISCUSSION (plenary) Irina Jemeljanova, expert, Department for VET systems and institutions, Cedefop
12.00-12.45	LUNCH (four open groups)
12.45-14.00	SESSION 9. 2021 WORK PLAN – TIMELINE OF POLICY DEVELOPMENTS George Kostakis, Coordinator VET policies and systems, Cedefop
	12.45-13.00 Introduction (plenary)
	13.00-13.30 Working groups (four break-out groups)
	13.30-14.00 Wrap-up and discussion (plenary)
14.00-14.20	SESSION 10. 2021 WORK PLAN – SUPPORTING VET TEACHERS AND TRAINERS IN CURRENT AND FUTURE LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS (plenary)
14.20-14.30	Rena Psifidou, expert, Department for learning and employability, Cedefop CONCLUSIONS EPOM MEETING DAY 2 (plonery)
14.30-15.00	CONCLUSIONS FROM MEETING DAY 2 (plenary) ON-DEMAND MEETINGS (six open break-out groups)

FRIDAY, **4 DECEMBER** 2020 (All times are CET – Central European Time)

9.00-9.30	PARTICIPANT LOG-IN, TECHNICAL CHECK
9.30-11.00	SESSION 11. THE OSNABRÜCK DECLARATION (plenary)
	Loukas Zahilas, Head of department for VET systems and institutions, Cedefop
	9.30-9.45 Presentation of the Osnabrück declaration Peter Thiele, Head of division, Federal Ministry of Education and Research, Germany, Government representative at Cedefop Management Board
	9.45-11.00 National post-2020 vision and priorities National representatives for ReferNet
11.00-11.15	COFFEE BREAK
11.15-12.40	SESSION 12. PARTNERS' THEMATIC SESSION
	11.15-11.20 Introduction (plenary)
	11.20-12.00 First round: round-table presentations, discussions (topics 1-4) (priorities 1-4) (four break-out groups)
	12.00-12.40 Second round: round-table presentations, discussions (topics 5-8) (priorities 1-4) (four break-out groups)
12.40-13.25	LUNCH (6 open groups)
13.25-14.35	SESSION 13. ANALYTICAL FRAMEWORK FOR THE POST-2020 POLICY REPORTING Irina Jemeljanova, expert, Department for VET systems and institutions, Cedefop
	13.25-13.40 Presentation, VPS team (plenary)
	13.40-14.10 Working groups (four break-out groups)
	14.10-14.35 Wrap-up and discussion (plenary)
14.35-15.00	SESSION 14. GENERAL CONCLUSIONS BY PARTNERS, NEWCOMERS AND CEDEFOP (plenary)
	ReferNet partners Sylvie Bousquet, ReferNet coordinator Loukas Zahilas, Head of the department for VET systems and institutions, Cedefop
15.00	END OF THE MEETING