## THIRD POLICY LEARNING FORUM





## Defining, writing and using learning outcomes

**#VETIearningoutcomes** 



21 and 22 June 2018 Thessaloniki



## Thursday, 21 June 2018

9.00-9.30	Registration		
9.30-10.00	Opening speeches  Mara Brugia, Acting Director, Cedefop Borhene Chakroun, UNESCO Carlo Scatoli, European Commission	Europa room Chair: Loukas Zahilas, Head of DSI, Cedefop	
10.00-11.00	Plenary 1  Keynote speeches	Europa room Chair: Loukas Zahilas, Head of DSI, Cedefop	
	Defining, writing and using learning outcomes – Setting the scene		
	The conceptual shaping of learning outcomes: dumbing down or opening up		
	learning processes?	John Hart, Sequel IEC, UK	
	Learning outcomes and governance: central control or encouraging local autonomy and participation?		
	Jens Bjørnåvold, Cedefo		
11.00-11.30	Coffee break		
11.30-13.00	Plenary 2  How does conceptual shaping of learn outcomes affect their use in policy an (and vice versa)? Issues and challeng	d practice	
	Country cases		
	Shawn Mendes, Swedish Council for Higher Education, Sweden		
	■ Wojciech Stechly, Educational Research Institute, Poland		
	Coleen Jaftha, SAQA, South Africa		
	Discussants: <i>Volker Rein</i> , BIBB, Germany and <i>Pauline Whiteman</i> , National Training Agency of Trinidad and Tobago		
13.00-14.00	Lunch break		

Working group session		
14.00-15.30	WG1 Rousseau room Chair: Slava Pevec Grm, Cedefop	WG2 Montessori room Chair: Anastasia Pouliou, Cedefop
	Conceptual shaping of learning out- comes and its implications for policy and practice – issues and challenges	Conceptual shaping of learning out- comes and its implications for policy and practice – issues and challenges
	Presentation of focus questions reflecting handbook messages	Presentation of focus questions reflecting handbook messages
	Presentation of two country approaches	Presentation of two country approaches
	Brigitte Bouquet, CNCP, France	Søren Kristensen, Techne, Denmark
	<ul><li>Roisin Sweeney, Quality and Qualifications, Ireland</li></ul>	Tony Mizzi, Ministry for Education and Employment, Malta
	Initial discussion	Initial discussion
15.30-16.00	Coffee break	
16.00-18.00	Discussion continued in small groups of three to four participants	Discussion continued in small groups of three to four participants
	Presentation of main findings and observations by small groups	Presentation of main findings and observations by small groups
	Identification of main challenges and opportunities by WG (summarised in five to seven key points)	Identification of main challenges and opportunities by WG (summarised in five to seven key points)
	Rapporteur: <i>Odd Bjørn Ure</i> , Consultur Studies & Analyses, Norway	Rapporteur: James Eustace, Education and Training Boards Ireland, Ireland
18.00-18.30	Meeting of chairs and rapporteurs of the working groups	
18.45	Departure for dinner	



## **Friday, 22 June 2018**

9.00-9.30	Plenary 1 Europa room Chair: Anastasia Pouliou, Cedefop	
	Findings and conclusions from working groups	
	Presentations by the working groups	
9.30-10.00	Keynote speech	
	Learning outcomes and comparability of qualifications – Methodological issues and challenges involved	
	Borhene Chakroun, UNESCO	
10.00-11.00	Plenary 2 Europa room Chair: Katerina Ananiadou, UNESCO	
	Role of learning outcomes in promoting international cooperation, communication and networking – Observations from international experts	
	■ Michael Graham, ETF	
	Malik Althuwaynee, National Qualifications Authority, United Arab Emirates	
	Panya Chanthavong, AQRF Committee, Lao PDR Representative	
	■ Mere Vadei, EQAP, Pacific Secretariat, Fiji islands	
	■ Carlo Scatoli, European Commission	
	Discussion	
11.00-11.30	Coffee break	
11.30-12.45	Panel discussion Europa room Moderator: Jens Bjørnåvold, Cedefop	
	Added value of learning outcomes	
	What is required for the actual use and potential benefit of learning outcomes in practice?	
	Aleksandar Susnjar, European Students' Union (ESU)	
	■ Volker Rein, BIBB, Germany	
	Arja Krauchenberg, European Parents' Association (EPA)	
	■ Athina Nella, Institute of Educational Policy (IEP), Greece	
	Faith Nyaka, SAQA, South Africa	
12.45-13.00	Conclusions  Loukas Zahilas, Head of department for systems and institutions, Cedefop	
1	End of third policy learning forum	

