European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training

Making learning progression a reality

Learners in the spotlight

21 February 2024 Virtual event

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Programme

(indicated times are CET)

9.15 – 9.30

Online access - technical tests

9.30 - 9.45

Welcome and introduction Loukas Zahilas, Head of department for VET and qualifications (DVQ), Cedefop

Opening address Jürgen Siebel, Executive Director, Cedefop

9.45 – 10.15 Chair: Loukas Zahilas, Head of Department, Cedefop

Keynote speech Transparency and transferability of learning outcomes: a 20-year journey

Zelda Azzarà, Expert, Cedefop Iraklis Pliakis, Expert, Cedefop

10.15 - 11.15

Chair and moderator: Carita Blomqvist, Expert, Cedefop

Panel discussion

Transparency and transferability of learning outcomes:

past achievements, current obstacles and way forward

Koen Nomden, Team Leader, DG EMPL, European Commission **Eduard Staudecker**, Head of department, Austrian Federal Ministry for Education, Science and Research **Prikans Yhomagi**, Director, Lifelong Learning Platform (LLP)

Brikena Xhomaqi, Director, Lifelong Learning Platform (LLP)

Lauri Tuomi, Executive board member of the European Association for the Education of adults (EAEA), Executive board and CEO of the Finnish Lifelong Learning Foundation (KVS)

11.15 - 11.20 SLIDO

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11.20 - 11.40

Coffee break

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11.40 - 11.55

Chair: Zelda Azzarà, Expert, Cedefop

Ongoing work: changes for citizens in 2000-20 and future policy scenarios

Kari Hadjivassiliou, Project leader, Tavistock Institut gGmbH

11.55 - 13.05

Parallel breakout sessions

Session 1.

European policy initiatives on transparency and transferability of learning outcomes: synergies, success and future pathways

Moderator: Zelda Azzarà, Expert, Cedefop
Presentation: Giorgia lacopini, Research team leader, Tavistock Institut gGmbH
Rapporteur: Maya Ivanova, Policy Officer, European Commission

Questions for discussion

- To what extent have EU policies on transparency and transferability of learning outcomes been working in synergy? Which initiatives can be considered as successful and why?
- Reflecting on past experiences, what fundamental lessons should guide and shape future policy choices? Which aspects and areas would require improvement or further cooperation to support lifelong and life-wide learning?

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Session 2.

Past and present barriers to lifelong and life-wide learning

Moderator: Iraklis Pliakis, Expert, Cedefop
 Presentation: Manuela Samek Lodovici, Research team leader, Istituto per la Ricerca Sociale
 Rapporteur: Ernesto Villalba Garcia, Expert, Cedefop

Questions for discussion

- Over the past 20 years, which barriers to lifelong and life-wide learning have European and national policy initiatives reduced, from a transparency of systems and transferability of learning outcomes perspective? Which policy initiatives have contributed the most?
- Which barriers persist or have emerged? What aspects would need further attention in the future?

Session 3.

Exploring past and present trends and their influence on future policy developments on lifelong learning

Moderator: Anastasia Pouliou, Expert, Cedefop
Presentation: Thomas Spielhofer, Research Team Leader, Tavistock Institut gGmbH
Rapporteur: Nicola Stokes, Deputy project leader, Tavistock Institut gGmbH

Questions for discussion

- Reflecting on the past two decades and the current landscape at European level, what have been the prevailing trends and priorities in supporting lifelong learning? How might these past trends influence and shape future European policies on lifelong learning?
- Reflecting on the past two decades and the current landscape at **national level**, what have been the prevailing trends and priorities in supporting lifelong learning? How

might these past trends influence and shape future national developments on lifelong learning?

13.05 - 13.20

Chair: Zelda Azzarà, Expert, Cedefop

Report back from breakout sessions

Speakers: rapporteurs from breakout sessions

13.20 – 13.30 Concluding remarks and work ahead

Zelda Azzarà, Expert, Cedefop Loukas Zahilas, Head of Department, Cedefop

The workshop takes place in the context of the project:

Transparency and transferability of learning outcomes (2022-25) which analyses European and national policy initiatives of the last two decades (2000-20) aimed to increase the **flexibility** of European education, training and learning systems and support individual citizens' **lifelong** and **life-wide learning**.

The event provides a platform for policy-makers, stakeholders, experts, and researchers to engage in discussions on the interim findings of the project and contribute to its further development.

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