



Programme

Day 1. Monday, 20 October 2025 (all times are EEST)

9.00 – 9.30	<i>Registration and welcome coffee</i>
9.30 – 10.15	Opening and welcome <i>Moderator: Alfredo Salmaso, Cedefop</i> • Jürgen Siebel, Executive Director, Cedefop • Eleonora Meleti, European Parliament (video message) • Jakob Vinkler Mortensen, Danish Presidency • Diana Spiridon, European Commission
10.15 – 10.45	Cedefop's work on Financing adult learning/CVET: setting the scene • Patrycja Lipińska, Mantas Sekmokas, Cedefop
10.45 – 11.15	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.15 – 12.30	Presentation of Cedefop study on individual learning accounts (ILAs) • Patrycja Lipińska, Cedefop • Günter Hefler, 3s, Austria The current status of ILAs implementation • Mantas Sekmokas, Cedefop ILAs in the Union of Skills • Diana Spiridon, European Commission
12.30 – 14.00	<i>Lunch</i>





14.00 – 15.30

Parallel working groups

1. Funding and governance

Moderator: **Peter Szovics**, Ministry of Education, Research, Development and Youth, Slovak Republik

Rapporteur: **Terence Hogarth**, University of Warwick, UK

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Johnny Sung, University of Oxford, United Kingdom

- [Country example: Cyprus](#)

Yiannis Mourouzides, Human Resource Development Authority

2. Relevance and quality

Moderator: **Margherita Bussi**, Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium

Rapporteur: **Bert-Jan Buiskool**, Ockham, Netherlands

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George Kostakis, Anthie Kyriakopoulou, Cedefop

- [Country example: France](#)

Amandine Fouché, Ministry of Labour, Health, Solidarity and Families

Flavio Leoni, Caisse des Dépôt

3. Digital platforms

Moderator: **Ivana Studená**, Slovak Academy of Sciences, Slovak Republic

Rapporteur: **Cecilia Ivardi**, University of St. Gallen, Switzerland

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Viola Pinzi, European Association for the Education of Adults (EAEA)

- [Country example: Lithuania](#)

Tomas Pūtys, Ministry of Education, Science and Sport

4. Training leave and income replacement

Moderator: **Petya Ilieva-Trichkova**, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Bulgaria

Rapporteur: **Iñigo Isusi**, IKEI, Spain

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Günter Hefler, 3s, Austria

- [Country example: Denmark](#)

Palle Rasmussen, Professor Emeritus, Aalborg University

15.30 – 16.00

Coffee break





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16.00 – 16.40	Reporting from the working sessions
16.40 – 17.30	Panel discussion: Lessons learned and forward-looking reflections <i>Moderator: Ilias Livanos, Cedefop</i> • Dario Baron, Ministry of Labour, Pension System, Family and Social Policy, Croatia • Monika Nigl, Vienna Employment Promotion Fund (waff), Austria • Elize de Bar, Ministry of Social Affairs and Employment, Netherlands • Flavio Leoni, Caisse des Dépôt, France • Amandine Fouché, Ministry of Labour, Health, Solidarity and Families, France
17.30 - 20:00	<i>Networking reception</i>

Day 2. Tuesday, 21 October 2025 (all times are EEST)

9.30 – 10.00	<i>Registration – welcome coffee</i>
10.00 – 10.40	Presentation of Cedefop study on Training funds: EU review <i>Moderator: Mantas Sekmokas, Cedefop</i> • Patrycja Lipińska, Cedefop • Simon Broek, Ockham
10.40 – 11.15	Presentation of Cedefop study on Training funds Exploring the potential for establishing training fund(s) in Latvia • Daniel Unterweger, 3s • Discussant: Jelena Muhina, Ministry of Education and Science, Latvia
11.15 – 11.50	Presentation of the Cedefop study on Training funds Exploring the potential for reforming/establishing training fund(s) in Poland • Łukasz Sienkiewicz, Institute for Labour Market Analyses, Poland • Discussant: Ewa Flaszyńska, Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Policy, Poland





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11.50 – 12.10	<i>Coffee break</i>
12.10 – 13.00	Round table: Financing adult learning – vision for the future <i>Moderator: Mantas Sekmokas, Cedefop</i> • Robert Plummer, BusinessEurope • Mario Patuzzi, ETUC • Raffaella Kihrer, EAEA • Marcella Milana, University of Verona, Italy
13.00 – 13.10	Closing remarks • Mara Brugia, Deputy Director, Cedefop
13.10 – 14.30	<i>Farewell lunch</i>
14.30 – 16.00	<i>Cultural visit – guided tour</i>



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