



ReferNet Plenary Meeting 2024
Session 8. Thematic round tables on EU VET priorities
Guidelines to participants
29 February 2024, 10:15 – 13:00 (EET)

Thematic round tables 2024 give you an opportunity to discuss the key achievements and challenges your countries face on the way towards EU VET priorities as set in the [Council Recommendation on VET](#) and the [Osnabrück Declaration](#). It may also be useful for you to finalise the thematic perspectives you are now working on (Deliverable 3a).

The round table discussions will be organised in three timeslots so you will be able to contribute to discussions on at least three priorities.

Speakers:

- present their examples for about 10 minutes (no PowerPoint, you can share printed materials). One example per timeslot will be presented (see the table below);
- host and moderate the discussion during the timeslot;
- in the next timeslot, a speaker can move to another round table.

Participants are invited to:

- attend as many round tables as possible (see the table below). If there are several participants from the same country, we suggest you split among the round tables;
- actively participate in the discussion;
- reflect on the issues raised and share examples from their countries.

As a result of the session, you will learn about other countries approaches and developments, get answers to your queries and ideas to finalise the thematic perspectives you are working on (Deliverable 3a).

Theme	1. VET agile in adapting to labour market challenges	2. Flexible and inclusive VET providing progression opportunities	3. VET as a driver for innovation and growth preparing for digital and green transitions	4. VET an attractive choice based on modern and digitalised provision of training and skills
Time				
10.15-11.00	Beata Dziemińska-Skowron (Poland) <i>'Sectoral Agreement for VET - Increasing the participation of sectoral organisations in the development of vocational education and work-based learning'</i>	Petya Evtimova (Bulgaria) <i>'Developments in Bulgaria on Priority 2 - Flexible VET providing progression opportunities'</i>	Wolfgang Slawik (Austria) <i>'Digitalisation and green transition in VET in Austria, new developments'</i>	Brian Gallagher (Ireland) <i>'Transforming VET in Ireland'</i>
11.05-11.50	Vincent Joseph (France) <i>'Strengthening the link between VET schools and the economic sector'</i>	Paula Zvejniece (Latvia) <i>'Introducing flexible VET provision in Latvia'</i>	Anastasia Evangelou and Christianna Charilaou (Cyprus) <i>'Development of Technical and Vocational Education and Training in Cyprus'</i>	Inga Kukk (Estonia) <i>'Reshaping upper-secondary VET programmes for flexibility and permeability'</i>
11.50-12.10 - Coffee break				
12.15-13.00	Nino Buić (Croatia) <i>'VET curricula reform'</i>	Janine Grobe-Rath (Germany) <i>'The German approach to Youth Employment Agencies'</i>	Beata Dziemińska-Skowron (Poland) <i>'Sectoral Skills Centres as drivers for innovation and growth preparing for digital and green transition'</i>	Lara Peiffer (Luxembourg) <i>'Skill provision for the digital transition in IVET programs in Luxembourg'</i>