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New tools for Vocational Education and Training: ECVET, EQARF PRAGUE, 20th May 2009

08.30 - 09.00 Registration

09:00 - 10.30 **Welcome speech and introduction to the European tools**

Moderator: Mr. Jakub Dürr (Deputy Minister of Czech Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports)

Mrs. Miroslava Kopicová (Minister of Education, Youth and Sports)

Mr. Joao Delgado (Directorate General Education & Culture, European Commission)

Mrs. Aviana Bulgarelli (Director of European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training (CEDEFOP))

10.30 - 11.00 Coffee break

11.00 - 11.40 **Plenary discussion dedicated to EQARF promotion**

The impact of the Recommendation on the establishment of the European Quality Assurance Reference Framework for Vocational Education and Training (EQARF) from stakeholders point of view

Moderator: Mr. Jakub Dürr

Key speakers:

- *Mr. Joao Delgado*, European Commission, Head of unit, Professional training, Leonardo da Vinci

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- *Mr. Petri Lempinen*, European Trade Union Confederation
- *Mr. Kent Johansson*, Committee of the Regions
- *Mr. Mika Tammilehto*, Ministry of Education, Finland

11.40 – 12.20 Plenary discussion dedicated to ECVET promotion

The impact of the Recommendation on the establishment of the European Credit system for Vocational Education and Training (ECVET) on VET and qualification systems.

The importance of the links with the needs of individuals and the labour market.

Moderator: Mr. Jakub Dürr

Key speakers:

- *Mr. Michel Aribaud*, European Commission, Unit Professional training; Leonardo da Vinci
- *Ms. Liliane Volozinski*, UEAPME, European association of craft, small and medium-sized enterprises
- *Ms. An Le Nouail-Marlière*, European Economic and Social Committee
- *Mr. Pasqualino Mare*, EVTA, European Vocational Training Association

12.20 - 13.20 Lunch

13.20 – 15.20 Parallel panel discussions:

The Challenges of the Implementation of the new tools

Panel 1 – EQARF: The implementation of EQARF, a multifaceted challenge

Chair person/Moderator: *Ms. Sophie Weisswange* (European Commission)

- The European cooperation in the field of Quality assurance in VET: the experience of ENQA-VET – *Mr. Juergen Horschinegg* (ENQA-VET Board Chairperson, Austria)
- Strategic role of the quality assurance national reference points: *Mr. Giorgio Allulli* (Institute for the Development of Vocational Training of Workers, Italy)

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- Good practice example of implementation of EU initiatives in the field of quality assurance in VET - *Ms. Katalin Molnar-Stadler* (National Institute of Vocational and Adult Education, Hungary)
- The challenges of the implementation of EQARF in decentralised VET systems - *Ms. Karin Küssner* (Federal Ministry of Education and Research, Germany)
- Further development of indicators for quality - *Mr. Vladimír Hulík* (Institute for Information on Education, Czech Republic)

Testimonials and discussion with participants.

- Reporting and forward looking perspectives: *Ms. Tina Bertzeletou* (CEDEFOP)

Panel 2 – ECVET: From principles to the implementation

Chair person/Moderator: *Ms. Marijke Dashorst* (European Commission)

- Development of European networks for implementing ECVET- *Mr. Richard Maniak* (Ministry of Education - France)
- DECVET: experimentation of a national credit point system in VET - *Mr. Peter Thiele* (Federal Ministry of Education and research, Germany)
- The interest of sectors in the development of ECVET - *Ms. Dominique Faivre-Pierret* (Association Nationale pour la Formation Automobile – ANFA, France)
- ECVET and reform of the qualification and VET system - *Mr. Jos Noesen* (Ministry of Education and Vocational Training, Luxembourg)

Testimonials and discussion with participants.

Reporting and forward looking perspectives: *Ms. Isabelle Le Mouillour* (CEDEFOP)

15.20 – 16.00 Conclusion: Summary of the panel discussions

16.00 – 16.30 Closing speech:

European Commission: Mr. Joao Delgado (Directorate General Education & Culture)

Czech presidency: Mrs. Miroslava Kopicová (Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports)

Swedish Presidency: Ms. Malin Mendes (Ministry of Education and Research)

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