

Measures to Improve the Quality of VET

Slovak-German Workshop

Date: 05. June 2018, 08.30 – 17.00

Venue: Falkensteiner Hotel Bratislava, Pilárikova 5, SK-811 03 Bratislava

Trade unions from 6 European countries (Germany, Greece, Italy, Latvia, Portugal and Slovakia) have worked together under the Unions4VET project since 2015. The objectives of the project are to strengthen trade union commitment to vocational education and to improve the quality of vocational education in Europe and the participating countries in this way. The project is sponsored by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research. It aims to further develop political strategies in vocational education policies on the basis of an exchange of views and mutual learning to identify common positions and approaches of action. The partners exchange examples of good practice and jointly develop instruments of quality assurance to expand trade union opportunities to take action. Trade unions from Costa Rica and South Africa have also been involved in the network since 2017. The patrons of the project are the German Federation of Trade Unions (DGB) and bfw - Unternehmen für Bildung.

Together with the Slovak trade union *OZ PŠaV*, the project Unions4VET is holding a workshop in which measures and instruments to improve the quality of VET are presented and discussed. Various stakeholders, representatives of the ministries, employers, employees and vocational schools are invited and will exchange views.

Preliminary agenda:

Tuesday, 05.06.2018		
08.30 – 09:00	Arrival and registration	
9:00 – 9:15	Welcome and introduction	OZ PŠaV
9:15 – 9:45	Presentation of the project Unions4VET <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities in VET and results • Quality criteria of the European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC) 	bfw
09.45 – 10.30	Current developments of VET in Slovakia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reform of the law and it's implementation in practice • A glance to the first experiences 	OZ PŠaV
10.30 – 11.00	Coffee Break	
11.00 – 12.00	The dual training system in Germany <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role, tasks and challenges of the Vocational training committees and • The Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB) 	<i>Dr. Marthe Geiben</i> Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB)
12.00 – 13.30	Lunch	
13.30 – 15.15	Quality assurance of vocational in-company trainings in the dual system in Germany - Possibilities, limits and practical offers of support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Basic structures of VET quality assurance in Germany</i> • <i>Characteristics and challenges of quality assurance in in-company vocational training</i> • <i>Practical support options</i> 	<i>Tobias Funk</i> k.o.s GmbH, representative of DEQAVET

15.15 – 15.30	Coffee Break	
15.30 – 16.30	<p>The role of trade unions in vocational education and training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Governance</i> • <i>Role of social partners</i> 	<p><i>Mario Hennig</i></p> <p>Union secretary of the IG BAU (Industrial Union for construction, agriculture, environment)</p>
16.30 – 17.00	Discussion and outlook	