

COLLABORATION TO STIMULATE TRANSITION BETWEEN EDUCATIONAL LEVELS AND SYSTEMS

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WORKSHOP

The workshop addresses the benefits, impacts and challenges for institutions and systems within initial education, higher education and (continuos) vocational education and training in co-operating with each other

KEY WORDS AND CONCEPTS (TO NAVIGATE AROUND)

Knowledgebased economy 4th industrial revolution

Lifelong learning

Customization of products and services

Financial constraints

Diversification of the learners' population

Rapid pace of economic and technological development

INDIVIDUAL LEARNING PATHWAYS: ADVANTAGES

address specific characteristics, skills and learning styles of individuals

result in enhanced motivation to learn and develop professionally

may be conducive to economizing costs

 shorter duration of tuition, a more efficient use of the skills available to build on

offer flexibility in terms of the adaptability to the changing labour market demand

 by a prompt response to the changing situation caused by a diversity of factors (e.g. locally)

INDIVIDUAL LEARNING PATHWAYS: DISADVANTAGES

require an overhaul of the teaching and learning process

including a wide use of ICT tools, blended learning, etc.), that is –
establishment of an innovative learning environment complete with
teaching and learning materials and tools, including WBL (may be a
costly undertaking!)

require new teacher skills and behaviors and hence

 a comprehensive, efficient and attractive system of in-service teacher training together with a system of incentives for teachers to change their behavior and culture of teaching, as well as a wider involvement of people from industry as teachers/instructors/mentors, both of which are ambitious and costly challenges

WHAT IS NEEDED NATIONAL LEVEL

an appropriate national legal framework

national and sector qualifications frameworks

a sound system of recognition of qualifications/ competences built on learning outcomes to ensure permeability and progression routes

a comprehensive QA system to address the needs of VET and higher education and a pool of trained assessors

WHAT IS NEEDED INTERNATIONAL LEVEL

strong interaction and cooperation of experts internationally

• to ensure mutual learning and exchange of best practices (e.g. an e-platform, publications, joint projects)

expert teams to comprise a mix of labour market players, lawmakers and educators