



Conference Programme

November 9th 2017

9.30 - 9.40

Welcome speech, Egon Pipan, Director of School centre Nova Gorica

VET is where the students are! The future of VET is the future of our students.

9.40 - 9.45

Video address by Marianne Thyssen

Euro commissioner for employment, social affairs, skills and labour mobility

9.45 - 10.00

**Nataša Hafner Vojčić, Secretary of Higher Vocational and
Adult Education Directorate, Slovenian Ministry of Education, Science and Sports**

How Slovenia understands the challenge of VET for the future and its
implementation at different governmental levels together with the key
stakeholders

10.00 - 10.15

**Dana Bachman, head of unit in the directorate general of Employment for VET,
Apprenticeships and Adult learning**

VET beyond 2020: The contribution of EU policy to future VET

Generating ideas for the future through effective networking

Increase your net-worth through your net-work

Choose between the following three network meetings

10.30 - 12.15

Network meeting 1

Technology-Enhanced Learning (TEL)

Technology-enhanced learning enables new choices for learners. Flexible learning focuses on giving learners choice in the pace, place and mode of their learning, assisted and promoted through appropriate pedagogical practice, and developed through technology-enhanced learning. Technology can enable new approaches to how learning is delivered and assessed, and can make certain pedagogic approaches viable and scalable. Technology-enhanced learning offers opportunities for personalised learning with the learners finding their own pathway through learning material; and support with various devices and systems so that learners can choose their preferred platform. From an institutional perspective, Technology enhanced learning can offer new opportunities for flexibility in learning and more flexible schemes of study. VET providers and other stakeholders can take the challenge to build an EU community of practice on Technology enhanced learning.

The network meeting will give you insights and ideas on the state of play in different European countries. You will meet experts as your peers on this issue and the possibility to join the EU community of practice on technology enhanced learning.

Network meeting 2

The Millennials and generation Z

The Millennial and Z generations are the largest in the history. When they reach their prime working and spending years, their impact on the economy will be huge. They have come of age during a time of major technological change, globalization and economic disruption. This has given them a different set of behaviour and experiences from their parents. They have been slower to move out on their own, and have shown different attitudes to ownership that have helped spawn a “sharing economy.” They are also the first generations of digital natives, and their affinity for technology helps shape how they live, educate and work. Their perception of living, educating and working differs very much from their parents, teachers and employers.

These are just some of the trends that will shape the new Millennial and Z economy.

Stakeholders have a huge challenge and the opportunity to design the future of VET for millennials and generation Z according to their trends by sharing positive ideas for cooperation. You will get insight into differences and similarities in education for a changing student in a changing world. You will meet peer experts, share and learn about their ideas.

Network meeting 3

VET- out of the box

Many discussions on VET have a rather predictable nature. But, stakeholders know their interests, there is a big skills mismatch in the market and many early school-leavers. Young generations find the existing education system boring, producing a chaotic situation between learners and the system.

Let’s get out of the box or maybe into another box. Use your imagination and consider Albert Einstein:

“Imagination is more important than knowledge. For knowledge is limited to all we know and understand, while imagination embraces the entire world and all there ever will be to know and understand”

Join and challenge your imagination as a learner, teacher, policy advisor or company director to create the system that supports everyone in developing his/her own potential. Everything can become a reality.

The workshop will give you new perspectives and new paths for solutions to meet the future challenge of VET. You will meet peer experts that might kindle a new network to develop innovative perspectives on the future of VET

12.15 – 13.30

Networking Lunch

13.30 – 14.00

Regional collaboration in VET: Getting things done

Case study – Employer and VET provider working together, **Miloš Požar, MAHLE Letrika d.o.o.**, and **Adrijana Hodak, School centre Nova Gorica**

14.00 - 14.30

Reality check - perspectives on the VET of the future

How students see their future and what they ask of VET stakeholders.

Listen to future voters, employees, self-employed multi professionals.

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The network meetings will be repeated this afternoon. We offer you a second chance to get energized by a new subject. Feel free to catch the flow of the morning network session with new insights and people.

16.00 - 16.30

Coffee break

16.30 - 17.15

Not a panel discussion

Instead of listening to panellists speak and discuss we will arrange an interactive discussion with all the conference visitors and the speakers.

You are now at centre stage

What did you find important to share with everybody, what questions do you have for speakers, what have you learned, what should be done next, what would you like to contribute etc.

17.15 - 21.00

Drinks and Dinner