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Education & Employment / Vocational Education & Training

Resolution: New Impact of Vocational Education and Training in Each EI Region

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1. In the context of the economic, financial and social global crisis, the VET public school sector has a strong contribution to stabilize and support the economy. VET has a direct impact on the well-being of national economies. VET forms the basis to fight an economic crisis or to avoid it. There is a need for more learning and training, for better qualifications, for successful completion to be protected against unemployment. It will enable societies to avoid dropouts. The public initial vocational education and training is essential to enable people to apply to lifelong learning programs giving them the possibility to raise their qualification level.
2. The resolution “the six essential points to strengthen vocational education and training” (5th World Congress, 2007) is still a program for prosperity and opportunities for development and therefore the whole content of that resolution is even more relevant and is part of this resolution.
3. For the implementation of the goals in this resolution, it is essential to have new structures inside EI to enhance and support the VET sector. As part of this, they should be linked to the EI regions because they allow more flexibility and efficiency for the implementation and future development of this concerned process.
4. To ensure the continuous work, EI will report every two years on the progressing work on this to the EI member organisations.
5. We further note that this phenomenon result in social malaise which manifest in high crime rate and different forms of social and physical abuses in our country.
6. We believe that the Further/ Vocational Education Sector have the potential to transform the socio-economic landscape and global community.
7. Also believe the legislations and policies for Further/Vocation Education Sector should be aligned to ensure mobility in the world of work and higher education.
8. Further believe that the implementation of Further/Vocational Education and Training requires resources, quality training and proper infrastructure, especially in rural areas of our country.

Therefore, the 6th World Congress of EI should:

9. **Urge** governments to consider Further/Vocational Education and Training as a necessary avenue for unemployed youth in different countries to ensure skills development that will result in human resource development throughout the world.
10. **Encourage** governments to put much needed resources to ensure that Further/ Vocational Education and Training delivers on the skills needs of the youth, the poor and marginalized communities by campaigning for open access, adequate resourcing and quality training for the implementation of Further/Vocational Education and Training systems across the world.