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Education & Employment / Vocational Education & Training:

Draft 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 make it more concrete, EI will consider VET as a priority and will therefore implement a regional taskforce for VET in every EI region. EI will support the regional work with a sufficient budget.
5. To ensure the continuous work, EI will report every two years on the progressing work on this to the EI member organisations.