23 November 2017, 9:00 – 17:15

**HEARING:   
CAREER-LONG PROFESSIONAL LEARNING IN 2027**

***Hotel BLOOM!   
Rue Royale 250,   
1210 Brussels, Belgium***

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| **Agenda** | | |
| **9:00-10:00** | **Welcome coffee** | |
| **10:00-10:10** | **Opening**  Presentation of the aim of the hearing, which is allow participants to gather evidence about how work is changing, and how that will change career-long professional learning (Continuing Vocational Education and Training).  Presentation of the form of the meeting - an interactive event in which four “expert witnesses” from different sectors and roles are questioned by a “scrutiny panel” in order to gather evidence about this key issue. Participants will discuss their testimonies and also have a chance to question the witnesses. | |
| **10:10-10:30** | **Keynote speaker**  Scene setter, explaining what we already know about the future of work, based on changes in the economy, technology, demography, etc.; new concepts of work and new ways of working; new set of skills; new ways of learning and of managing one’s career pathway. | |
| **10:30-11:25** | **First witness – company**  Will explain how his/her company/sector prepares employees for the new skills required in future work. | **Scrutiny panel:** experts representing international organisations, social partners, civic society and networks support adult education and training |
| **11:25-12:20** | **Second witness – trade unions**  Will talk about trade unions’ mediating role in encouraging both employers and employees to prepare for the future. |
| **12:20-13:40** | **Lunch** | |
| **13:40-14:35** | **Third witness – social enterprise**  Will present new visions of what constitutes ‘useful work’ and what needs to be done to make them happen. | **Scrutiny panel:** experts representing international organisations, social partners civic society and networks support adult education and training |
| **14:35-15:30** | **Forth witness – academic expert**  Will present an overview of the changes expected, especially from the learning point of view. |
| **15:30-16:00** | **Coffee break** | |
| **16:00-17:00** | **Discussion of the evidence in small groups and plenary harvesting of conclusions**  Small group discussion between the participants on the testimonials followed by plenary aimed at identifying key policy pointers regarding the future of career-long professional learning. | |
| **17:00-17:15** | **Closing**  *Dana-Carmen Bachmann, Head of the VET, Apprenticeships and* European Commission building - Rue Philippe le Bon 3, BrusselsEuropean Commission building - Rue Philippe le Bon 3, Brussels *Adult Learning Unit in the European Commission* | |
| **Evening networking** | | |
| **17:15– 19:00** | **Participants are invited to a networking drink** | |