VET for ALL –
Skills for Life conference

Session 4: Evidence-based and future-oriented policy making for VET and Adult learning

EUROPEAN VOCATIONAL SKILLS WEEK

2019 | 17 October, 09:00 – 12:30

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Introduction

Nearly at the end of ET2020 strategy, the reflections what kind of priorities and policy frameworks will be required for the next decade are crucial. A key question for this session is how evidence can support this process and help steering VET systems (both initial and continuing) to be more inclusive and excellent. The discussion will be based on recent studies developed by the Commission in cooperation with OECD and JRC.

Discussion questions:

- How evidence can support steering VET systems; formal or non-formal programmes; learning related to a current job or oriented towards a future career?

- What are the key limitations regarding the evidence we gather?

- How can evidence build a better understanding of the impact of VET systems?

- What kind of evidence are we still lacking the most, to make the picture of VET complete?

Working method:
Group and panel discussions, presentations, exchange between the participants

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TIME	EVENT
09:00 – 09:10	**Opening the session** *(TBC)* *DG EMPL*
09:10 – 09:30	**The past and the future of evidence on VET and AL** Mr. Mantas Sekmokas *DG EMPL*
09:30 - 10:45	**Moderated panel discussion** Moderator OECD? (tbc) **Glenda Quintini** *OECD* **Panellist (tbc)** *DG JRC* **Panellist (tbc)** *CEDEFOP* **Panellist (tbc)** *VETNET* **Panellist (tbc)** *ESREA*
10:45 - 11:05	**Coffee break**
11:05 -12:20	**Small group discussions between participants. The participants will be asked to discuss in groups following questions:** What are the barriers to using research evidence in policy? What needs to change **on the research side**, that would help policymakers, with the help of research evidence, make policy that is more relevant and effective? What needs to change **on the policy side**, so that research evidence could help policymakers make policy that is more relevant and effective?
12:20 - 12:30	**Closing of the session** (tbc) DG EMPL