



## Cedefop newsletter No 72 - July/August 2017

### Main story:



#### MEPs Zdechovský and Zagorakis visit Cedefop

MEPs Tomáš Zdechovský and Thodoris Zagorakis visited Cedefop in Thessaloniki on 10 July and were briefed on the agency's work by Director James Calleja, heads of department and other staff.

### News from Cedefop:



#### President Juncker in Thessaloniki award ceremony

European Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker received the title of Doctor Honoris Causa by the Faculty of Law of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki at a ceremony at Thessaloniki's Concert Hall on 14 July, in the presence of Greek Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras, Commissioner Dimitris Avramopoulos and other distinguished guests.



#### German Ambassador to Greece visits Cedefop

Ways of cooperating were discussed during German Ambassador to Greece Jens Plötner's visit to Cedefop on 1 August.



#### VET researchers meet practitioners

A first formal encounter between vocational education and training (VET) researchers and practitioners, organised jointly by UNESCO/UNEVOC and Cedefop, took place at the United Nations campus in Bonn on 18 July.



#### Cedefop presents cooperation on qualifications frameworks at TVET conference

Cedefop took part in a large-scale international conference on 'skills on the move: global trends, local resonances', organised by UNESCO, the People's Republic of China and the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research on 4-6 July in Tangshan, China.



### Real-time labour market information analysis presented at OECD

Cedefop's analysis of real-time labour market information was presented by expert Alena Zukersteinova at a conference on adapting to changing skill needs organised by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) in Paris on 10 July.



### Equal opportunities for all among Estonian EU Presidency priorities

Set up around the 'Unity through balance' motto, Estonia has assumed the six-month rotating Presidency of the European Union (EU) Council until the end of 2017.



### Briefing note - People, machines, robots and skills

Technological unemployment is a recurring theme, but joblessness in the digital age will depend on human, not artificial, intelligence.



### Towards age-friendly work in Europe: a life-course perspective on work and ageing from EU Agencies

The EU's population and workforce are ageing. This has implications for employment, working conditions, living standards and welfare. A new report shows how information from four agencies, including Cedefop, can support policy-making that is both complementary and greater than the sum of its parts.



### Investing in skills pays off

This Cedefop study seeks to provide a comprehensive and robust evidence base in relation to low-skilled adults in the European Union. It analyses trends in low skills among adults as well as characteristics, determinants and risks of being low skilled.



### Annual Report 2016

2016 was a year of new challenges for Cedefop. As the Agency gears up for changes in European vocational education and training (VET) policy it aims to support the European Union's ambition to transform the *New skills agenda* and the Council recommendation Upskilling pathways: new opportunities for adults into actions at Member State level.



#### **Interview with Cristian Aedo, World Bank**

Policy learning forum: vocational education and training (VET) as a solution to leaving education early, 16 and 17 May, Thessaloniki



#### **Interview with Becci Newton, Institute for Employment Studies, United Kingdom**

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#### **Interview with Cedefop expert Irene Psifidou**

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#### **Interview with project representatives Sabine Beck, Dennis van Gessel and Estzer Szegedi**

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### **Agenda:**

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#### **Cedefop policy learning forum (PLF) on apprenticeships**

07/09/2017 to 08/09/2017

Conference

Thessaloniki

Greece

Cedefop involvement:

Organiser

#### **Online recruitment in EU countries – diffusion and use**

13/09/2017 to 15/09/2017

Workshop

Milan

Italy

Cedefop involvement:

Organiser

#### **From prototype to production**

18/09/2017 to 19/09/2017

Workshop

Thessaloniki

Greece

Cedefop involvement:

Co-organiser

#### **1st CareersNet meeting**

26/09/2017

Event

Tallinn

Estonia

Cedefop involvement:

Co-organiser

#### **Conference/peer learning activity on the impact of NQFs**

09/11/2017 to 10/11/2017

Conference

Thessaloniki

Greece

Cedefop involvement:

Co-organiser

#### **Skill needs forecasting expert workshop**

23/11/2017 to 24/11/2017

Workshop

Thessaloniki

Greece

Cedefop involvement:

Organiser

### **Working with us:**

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#### **Head of Human Resources (external)**

External notice of vacancy

Reference:

Cedefop/2017/04/AD\_external

Closing date:

13/09/2017

#### **Head of Human Resources (interagency)**

Interagency notice of vacancy

Reference:

Cedefop/2017/04/AD\_interagency

Closing date:

13/09/2017

#### **Assistant – Analysis of VET policies and systems**

##### **Cedefop/2017/03/AST\_interagency**

Reference:

Cedefop/2017/03/AST\_interagency

Closing date:

30/08/2017

#### **Assistant – Analysis of VET policies and systems**

##### **Cedefop/2017/03/AST\_external**

Reference:

Cedefop/2017/03/AST\_external

Closing date:

30/08/2017

#### **Validation of non-formal and informal learning and career guidance**

Reference:

AO/DLE/EVGAR-PMD/Validation&Guidance/003/17

Closing date:

05/09/2017

#### **The potential of work-based learning in developing Upskilling Pathways for adults**

Reference:

AO/DLE/LSALVA/WBLinUpskillingPathways/005/17

Closing date:

07/09/2017

### **Complementary pathways for adult refugees: the role of VET, skills and qualifications**

Reference:

AO/DLE/RCDCR/adult refugees and VET/007/17

Closing date:

08/09/2017

### **VET for labour market integration and social inclusion**

Reference:

AO/DLE/IPS/VETforLM&SI/008/17

Closing date:

14/09/2017

### **Comparing Vocational Education and Training Qualifications: towards a European Comparative Methodology**

Reference:

AO/DSI/JP/Comparing\_VET\_Qualifications/010/17

Closing date:

15/09/2017

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### **News from the Member States:**

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