



The New Education Forum 2019, 10th December, 2019

European Economic and Social Committee, Rue Belliard 99-101, 1000 Bruxelles, Belgium

Strengthening transversal competences

The annual **New Education Forum in the European Parliament in December 2019** will give a chance of presenting innovative learning solutions, which strengthen transversal competences. We'll learn of outcomes of the FOLM model (From Outdoors to Labour Market - FOLM) addressed to youth not in employment, education or training. We'll listen to other examples which help young people receive valuable education to smoothly enter adulthood.

Agenda

9.00 – 9.15 Registration

9.15 – 9.35 Welcoming statements

Jerzy Buzek, MEP - Poland

Tomasz Frankowski, MEP – Poland

9.35 – 10.00 How to motivate youth - The pilot phase of FOLM has brought us very good news: most of FOLM beneficiaries have successfully returned to the labour market or studies. How have we managed to motivate young people? What expectations they had and challenges they met at the FOLM journey?

Fernando Carregal San Emeterio, Head of Trainers, FEMXA - Spain

Representative from Limerick Institute of Technology - Ireland

10.00 – 10.45 Diagnosis: transversal competences in youth – We are in a change of era, in an era in constant change. A few years ago, the revolution on the labour market was that we went from having two or three jobs during our working life to changing job places as frequently as every 5 years. Today, in addition to changing employments frequently, we will have to change careers, recycle and learn new skills several times in our professional life. In this scenario the transversal competences become a key element for sustainable skill development.

Santiago García, Director, CECE - Spain

Antje Wieczorek, Federal Agency of Work – Germany

Representative of Business Europe - Brussels

10.45 – 11.15 Coffee Break

11.15 – 12.00 Best practices – Development of transversal competences – 3 demonstrations about concrete programs/tools/projects that develop transversal competences in an effective way. What good practices have proved effective in today's Europe? First-hand expert presentations.

Joanna Bochniarz, President, CIE – Poland

Tomas Castillo, Director, AMICA – Spain

Kim Lindblad, Coordinator of Education, HUMAK University of applied sciences - Finland

12.00 – 12.50 Challenges for the future. How to improve transversal competences development - Nowadays employers search for employees with adaptive capacity, who are proactive, with ease to work in teams, solve problems and think creatively. Every day more institutions switch to work within a structure based on projects instead of hierarchies. Creating transversal, cognitive teams is essential if we are to adapt to the needs of today's societies. How can cross-sectorial cooperation effectively assist and strengthen learning processes to adapt them to employers' expectations? Can the formal education system respond to these requirements? Do we have the right curricula that allow us to meet the XXI labour market challenges?

Janusz Dedo, Former President, HSBC Poland – Poland

Reinhold Weiss, Former Director, BiBB – Germany

Jacek Krawczyk, President, Employers Group European Economic and Social Committee - Poland

12.50 – 13.00 NEF'19 Closing: summary and recommendations.

Joanna Bochniarz, President, CIE – Poland

Brando Benifei, MEP – Italy (tbc)