

Conference Programme

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Day 1: Wednesday 13th October

15:30- 18:30

Registration at Hotel Altis, Rua Castilho,11,1269-062, Lisbon.

18:30- 19:15

Welcome and information session for new members and first time participants: - "Introduction to EfVET and the conference". Peter Hodgson, President of EfVET, and the Steering Committee members.

19:15-20:00 Reception for all delegates and partners: Hotel Altis.

20:00

Dinner/cultural evening: Hotel Altis.

Day 2: Thursday 14th October

09:15- 09:25

Welcome to Lisbon: Day chair Luis Costa, Executive Director, ANESPO

09:25– 09:45

Opening of Conference – Jose Luis Presa, President ANESPO

09:45- 10:10

Welcome to the conference, setting the theme:

Pete Hodgson, President of EfVET

10:10- 10:45

Keynote Speaker: Vocational Education in Portugal Minister of Education, Isabel Alçada or representative

10:45- 11:15

Refreshment break

11:15- 12:00

“Meeting the future Needs for VET in global Business and Industry” Director Flemming Larsen, The Confederation of Danish Industry, Copenhagen Denmark.

12:00- 12:45

The practical implementation of EQF and EQARF on national qualification systems – meeting the needs of learners and employers – Luis Capucha, PhD. President of ANQ – the national agency for qualifications, Portugal

12:45- 14:00

Lunch

14:00- 15:00

Workshops

1. Challenging times, positive action: Managing in a time of funding pressures!!!
2. Pedagogical innovation: Sharing good practice in meeting the varied needs of learners – an exploration of blended learning and harnessing technologies such as twitter and facebook within the learning process
3. What makes a good learning environment – learning spaces to promote self learning – non traditional learning spaces
4. Promoting social cohesion – developing a strategy for volunteering – learning by doing – an awareness of self within the community – how to develop such opportunities as part of the learning process.
5. Responding to the challenges of vocational and Lifelong Learning to meet the EU Strategic objectives 2020 (How member states and their VET institutions are implementing VET/LLL reforms – the impact and good practice)
6. Addressing the needs of learners in danger of ‘dropping out’ or disengagement in education and training

15:00- 15:30

Refreshment break

15:30- 16:30

Workshops (repeated)

18.00

Reception at the Provincial Government. To be confirmed. Evening free to explore Lisbon.

Dinner not included in conference fee.

Day 3: Friday 15th October

08:45- 10:00
Annual General Meeting

10:00- 10:45
Presentation on the Lifelong Learning Programme – preparing for the future - post 2013

Kursat Levent Egriboz, Managing Director, ECTOC – the UK National Agency for Leonardo, Grundtvig and Transversal programmes

10:45– 11:15
Refreshment break

11:15- 13.00

Roundtables - Conference offers European project partners the opportunity to disseminate progress, results and products of their Transnational Transfer of Innovation; Development of Innovation and other European initiatives – a key to successful valorisation of project outcomes and sustainability.

13.00- 14:30
Lunch

14:30– 16:30

Mobility Market place. Mobility is a key objective of the EC in stimulating and improving VET. This year it is envisaged that ‘mobility groups’ will be formed along occupational / skill sector lines (to give the opportunity for establishing partnerships / networks and reciprocal exchange. Refreshment break incorporated in to Marketplace session as and when required by participants

19:00
Leave for: Gala Dinner and Dance

Day 3: Saturday 16th October

9:30 - 10:30
Keynote speaker: To be confirmed

10:30- 11:00

Refreshment break

11:00- 11:45

Conference conclusions and discussion.

Hans F. van Aalst, Past President of EfVET

11:45- 12:00

Announcement of 20th EfVET Annual International Conference in 2011.

12:00

Closing of the conference – Peter Hodgson, President, EfVET

13:00

Cultural excursion/visit