FLASH REPORT

Title of the event
Torino Process Policy Makers Roundtable in Jordan

Main objective/s of the event
• To get familiar with the TRP 2018/19 objectives and strategic orientations;
• To present and familiarise with the TRP National Reporting Framework - NRF
• To present the ETF assessment;
• To discuss and agree on policy added value of TRP in the country and define/confirm the calendar of implementation;
• To discuss and agree on relevant key stakeholders to be involved in the preparation and consultations on the NRF.

Background
Jordan has carried out the four previous TRP rounds and the different assessment outcomes have been much appreciated and used by both national authorities and international community in their programming and monitoring. The EU Delegation in particular is closely following the process and outcomes of this fifth round as per their needs related to policy dialogue and monitoring in the framework of the on-going budget support. In addition, the new TPR5 will inform a new EU intervention targeting TVET sector. The national authorities (MoL) are decided to improve participation and ownership in this round and have therefore organised technical working groups by building blocks supported by ETF (Mounir). It is worth mentioning that one of the WGs is led by the representative of the General federation of the Jordanian Trade Unions.

Short introduction/description of the event
Some 40 participants took part to the event organised in Amman with the participation of public and private sector representatives, EU Delegation and donors active in VET and employment (GiZ, ILO, EBRD). Opening the meeting, Tarek Al Rashdane, Director of Employment Strategies & E-TVET council affairs Unit (MoL) said « TRP is a best practice and important tool of reforms implementation monitoring in Jordan ». The ETF is our critical friend in all what we are doing, he added.

KEY OUTCOMES / CONCLUSIONS
• Main issues raised in the discussions are related to a) the understanding of the NRF questions and b) availability of data in the different thematic areas
• Discussion and agreement on the process and timetable as follows:
  ✓ Introduction of TRP5 round to country stakeholders, 27 March 2019, Amman
  ✓ Preliminary draft of NRF prepared and Consultations of stakeholders, 25, 26, 27 June 2019
  ✓ Recruitment of an Expert if needed
  ✓ Revised draft of the TRP country report consultations and peer review 17 September 2019
  ✓ Final draft of the TRP country report by end of October 2019
  ✓ ETF assessment of VET policies in Jordan by March 2020 (TbC with Outi)
  ✓ Events in Jordan to present and discuss the findings of country report and the ETF assessment in March 2020 (TbC with Outi)

Action Points
• Elena/Mounir: Discuss with Outi the above timetable as per ETF assessment process