

AGENDA OF THE NATIONAL SEMINAR

“Professional Development of VET Teachers and Trainers in the Republic of Belarus”

4 April 2019

Event venue:

Educational Institution “Republican Institute for Vocational Education” (RIPO), K. Liebknecht street 32, Minsk, Belarus

Objective:

Validate the survey outcomes; define conditions for efficient professional development of employees of vocational education institutions in the Republic of Belarus.

Participants:

Managers of vocational education institutions, representatives of the regional regulatory bodies, employees of the Ministry of Education of the Republic of Belarus, representatives of non-governmental organizations

SUMMARY

This one-day national workshop provides an opportunity to reflect on the findings of new research on “Continuing Professional Development of Teachers and Instructors in Vocational Education and Training in Belarus” carried out by RIPO in partnership with ETF in Belarus. This research invited vocational teachers and instructors in Belarus to share their views about their work. The research draws upon the views of 1934 VET teachers and 72 school directors at 105 technical vocational and secondary specialized VET schools and interviews with 7 stakeholders and a literature review. The research reviews the state of policy development and provision with respect to CPD for VET teachers. The research offers insight into modes of teaching, school leadership, links with business and workforce satisfaction.

The report provides conclusions and recommendations to support policy implementation. The workshop will critically evaluate recommendations and build agreement on ways forward.

The workshop will provide an opportunity to help shape the development of the vocational teacher profession in Belarus.

AGENDA

09.30–10.00	Registration of the seminar participants, welcoming coffee
10.00–10.05	Seminar opening <i>Golubovsky V.N., Rector of the RIPO</i> <i>Timo Kuusela, Country Coordinator for Belarus, ETF</i>
10.05–10.20	International Developments in CPD, Julian Stanley, ETF
10.20–10.30	About the objectives and aims of the project “Survey of Vocational Teachers and Trainers” <i>Kasyanik E. L., Vice-Rector for Educational Affairs of the RIPO</i>
10.30–11.15	The main outcomes of the survey of teachers and trainers of educational institutions and key experts interviewing. Discussion. <i>Beliayeva O.A., Dean of the Faculty for Qualification Upgrading and Staff Retraining of the RIPO</i> <i>Moderator: Julian Stanley, VET Teachers and Trainers Specialist, ETF</i>
11.15–11.40	Coffee Break
11.40–12.40	Evaluation of Issues and Recommendations arising from the report - <i>Moderators – Kalitsky E.M., Head of the Centre for International Cooperation of the RIPO, Beliayeva O.A., Dean of the Faculty for Qualification Upgrading and Staff Retraining of the RIPO, Kasyanik E. L., Vice-Rector for Educational Affairs of the RIPO.</i> <i>Chaired: Julian Stanley, VET Teachers and Trainers Specialist, ETF</i>
12.40–13.00	Response of Panel including Key Stakeholders: <i>Suvorova M.E., Head of the Directorate of Technical Vocational and Secondary Specialized Education, Ministry of Education of the Republic of Belarus, Shkliar A.Kh., Professor, Doctor of Education, RIPO</i> <i>Dirvuk Ye.P., Associate Professor, Belarussian National Technical University</i>
13.00–14.00	Lunch