

# AGENDA

## European Alliance for Apprenticeships Webinar for Candidate Countries: Key developments on work-based learning since Riga summit

### WEBINAR

(WORKING LANGUAGE ENGLISH)

24 SEPTEMBER 2020

### SUMMARY

The purpose of this webinar is to take stock of the key policy developments in apprenticeships and work-based learning (WBL) in EU Candidate Countries since the Riga Summit of June 2015 and share experiences between them and European Alliance for Apprenticeships (EAfA) members.

In June 2015, at the Riga summit, the EU Member States, the EU Candidate Countries, the European Social Partners and the European Commission agreed on a [new set of medium-term deliverables \(MTD\) for the period 2015 – 2020 to reinforce the vision of VET](#). The first of the five MTDs focuses on work-based learning in VET (MTD 1), and highlights the importance of apprenticeships. All Candidate Countries have chosen work-based learning as a priority MTD for ETF support.

Representatives from Candidate Countries will describe the key achievements regarding the development and implementation of work-based learning in their country that include reform and new regulations on work-based learning, development of dual education or the joint role of schools and companies in work-based learning.

We will hear from a representative of Chambers on the involvement of the private sector in work-based learning.

Finally, with the EU Presidency we will look into the future of work-based learning and apprenticeships in Europe.

## 24 SEPTEMBER 2020 – 10:30-13:00

	Technical Moderator	Ecorys
<b>10:30 – 10:35</b>	Chair	Didier Gelibert  Specialist of private sector engagement in VET – Country coordinator Armenia European Training Foundation
<b>10:35 – 10:45</b>	<b>Welcome and Introduction</b>  <b>Setting the scene: Medium-term deliverables and work-based learning in EU candidate countries</b>	Xavier Matheu de Cortada  Head of Policy Unit European Training Foundation
<b>10:45 – 11:00</b>	<b>EaFA Recent developments:</b> <b>The renewed European Alliance for Apprenticeships including EaFA Action Plan</b>	Norbert Schöbel  Team Leader Directorate-General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion European Commission
<b>11:00 – 11:30</b>	<b>First Panel</b>	Chair
	Key development in <b>Albania</b>	Ejvis Gishti  Director General National Agency for Education, Vocational Training and Qualifications Ministry of Finance and Economy
	Key development in <b>Macedonia</b>	Zoran Jovcevski  Advisor Vocational and education Centre "Goce Delcev", North Macedonia
	Short Questions: Key answers Round 1	Chair
<b>11:30 – 11:40</b>	Coffee Break	
<b>11:40 – 12:20</b>	<b>Second Panel</b>	<b>Chair</b>
	Key development in <b>Montenegro</b>	Ana Markovic  Representative from the Union of Employers of Montenegro
	Key development in <b>Serbia</b>	Mirjana Kovačević Head of Centre Director of Academy Centre for Education, Dual VET and Education Policies/Business Academy Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Serbia
	Key development in <b>Turkey</b>	Süleyman Akgül Head of the Department of Work Based Vocational Education

		VET General Directorate Ministry of National Education
	Short Questions: Key answers Round 2	Chair
<b>12:20 – 12:30</b>	Work-based learning in Candidates Countries <b>Five years in review:</b> achievement and highlights	Stefan Thomas  Specialist in VET Policies and Systems, European Training Foundation
<b>12:30 – 12:40</b>	The involvement of the private sector in work-based learning: challenges and solutions	Safet Gerxhaliu  Secretary-General Western Balkans 6 Chamber Investment Forum
<b>12:40 – 12:50</b>	<b>Looking forward: the future</b> of work-based learning and apprenticeship in Europe	Oliver Diehl Expert in Continuing Professional Education German Federal Ministry of Education and Research Presidency of the Council of the European Union
<b>12:50 – 13:00</b>	Closing remarks	Norbert Schöbel European Commission  Xavier Matheu de Cortada European Training Foundation