

## -WEBINAR (19/20 November 2020)-

WORKING TOGETHER ON VET GOOD MULTILEVEL GOVERNANCE IN MOLDOVA:
MOVING FORWARD FOR IMPLEMENTING ASSESSMENT FINDINGS
AND POLICY RECOMENDATIONS

#### 1. Background

The Ministry of Education Culture and Research (MECR) of the Republic of Moldova and the European Training Foundation (ETF) are working together very closely, since the beginning of 2020, on assessing effectiveness -and efficiency- of VET system in Moldova.

This has been done using ETF VET Good Multilevel Governance toolbox (¹). The review of institutional arrangements of VET system in the country addressing the key areas of VET good multilevel governance and financing are key pillars of this -joint- work.

Due to COVID 19, the review of institutional arrangements -as mid-term deliverable- was discussed and agreed by Moldovan high-level stakeholders, in ETF webinar (30 June 2020) (2). This discussion validated work done in the first phase and allowed to kick starting second one, which has produced three additional types of deliverables:

- An advisory report focusing on VET practices which could support to drive system change in the country
- An assessment report on governance and financing practices based on ETF methodology VET governance inventory 4.0
- A final advisory report with main conclusions and policy recommendations/options, including possible time frame for implementation.

These deliverables prove that the ETF team -and stakeholders in Moldova (about 40 institutions/organisations and/or their units have been engaged in different phases)- have shown strong resilience to COVID19 crisis. Now it is time to share with and present such reports to main stakeholders in the country, in order to identify possible ways and timing for implementing proposed institutional reforms in VET sector within lifelong learning (LLL) perspective.

#### 2. Objectives -and expectations- on the webinar

The ETF review of institutional arrangements in Moldova opened floor for *critical view* on VET system operations in the country. At this point, it is essential that country stakeholders take stock, discuss and appropriate final findings.

<sup>(1)</sup> Please, ETF kindly invites you to register on: <a href="https://openspace.etf.europa.eu/">https://openspace.etf.europa.eu/</a>

<sup>(2)</sup> See please: https://www.etf.europa.eu/en/news-and-events/events/launching-policy-discussion-vet-skills-good-multi-level-governance-moldova

This should help moving forward for further VET systemic reforms. All this has been planned with a view to have a more effective and efficient VET and skills system to serve on socioeconomic development -and labour market dynamics- in Moldova.

Overall, this webinar should help on validating the work done by ETF experts in cooperation with relevant stakeholders, as well on informing -and agree- on the modality of implementation which shall be most useful for the country using the joint work done up to now.

In this respect, the objectives of the 2 half-days webinar are:

- Presenting and discuss ETF main findings with key stakeholders on the review of VET institutional arrangements and practices conducted in the country.
- Share main conclusions and policy recommendations for its validation and appropriation, with a view on identifying and agree next steps to be taken for helping the country moving forward implementing proposed reforms.

To make this webinar happens, the ETF will manage facilitation of connectivity among participants. ETF proposes open this webinar to 60 participants (tbc). The participants shall be split into different *on-line working groups* for second day.

### **DRAFT AGENDA (-DAY 1- 19th November 2020)**

Time (CET time)	Session
14:00-14:10	Welcome: Introduction and Objectives of the webinar ETF & VET Department of Ministry of Education, Culture and Research (MECR) of Republic of Moldova
14:10-14:50	Introduction to the second phase results: review of institutional arrangements focussing on VET practices to support system change in Moldova and Conclusions.  Speakers: ETF experts
14:50-15:10	Q.&A/Open discussion: feed backs from participants Facilitation and speakers: ETF & Key Moldavian Stakeholders
15:10-15:30	Virtual Aperitivo/ coffee break
15:30-16:10	Presenting and discussing key recommendations for inspiring VET reforms in Moldova Facilitation and Speakers: ETF
16:10-16:30	Feedbacks from participants and wrap-up of first day

# **DRAFT AGENDA (-DAY 2- 20th November 2020)**

Time (CET time)	Session
10:00-10:30	Welcome and introduction: Presentation of assessment results based on ETF VET governance inventory 4.0 ETF experts
	-Q.& A-
10:30-11:30	Split into <i>virtual working groups</i> : Validation of and modalities for implementing conclusions and recommendations.
	Group facilitators: ETF experts
11:30-11:50	Virtual Aperitivo/ Coffee break
11:50-12:30	Reporting back from <i>virtual working groups</i>
12:30-12:45	Open discussion: How to move forward agenda for implementation? Facilitation and speakers: ETF-VET Department of Ministry of Education, Culture and Research (MECR) of Republic of Moldova & other Key Moldavian Stakeholders  Wrap up & Farewell

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