

FLASH REPORT

Event name

Torino Process 2018-2020 online workshop: Dissemination of the national self-evaluation report for Tunisia, Platform Zoom, 10th November 2020, 09:30 – 12:00.

“Processus de Turin 2018-2020 atelier en ligne: Dissémination du rapport national pour la Tunisie”

Main objective/s

To present the implementation of the fifth round of Torino process in Tunisia and the final version of the national report, with focus on its recommendations and the participants' views on their level of priority.

Background

The launch of the 5th round of the Torino Process took place in Tunis on the 25th of April 2019 with the participation of a wide range of stakeholders. Afterwards different thematic teams were set-up to further elaborate the national report under the guidance of the national observatory ONEQ and with participation of a wide group of stakeholders ranging from the line Ministry and VET agencies to social partners such as UGTT and UTICA. This resulted in a national self-evaluation report ‘100% made in Tunisia’.

In Tunisia, the Torino Process debate is further developed at the sub-national level, namely in the eight regions support by the IRADA programme co-funded by the European Union. As such, the parallel discussions at national level and in the regions have mutually reinforced each other.

The new orientation of the fifth round of the Torino Process also includes an ETF assessment that targets key human capital development challenges and how national policies are addressing them (still to be finalised).

Following the iterative and collaborative drafting of the national report, the event aimed at disseminating its main recommendations throughout the sector and specifically among the stakeholders involved in the preparation, and at discussing the possible measures to address them.

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE EVENT

The COVID19 situation prevented a face-to-face event, so the platform Zoom was used instead. The participants that were involved in the process (both from the national and the regional levels) joined the dissemination event. Despite the challenges raised by the COVID-19 lockdown, the team was able to present the report at the meeting today. Its analysis and recommendations were discussed in a lively debate. Issues such as the economic impact of COVID-19, the low level of participation to VET, early school dropout and a high youth unemployment were brought up to demonstrate the challenging socio-economic context. Various responses of the VET ecosystem were presented, including progress in the implementation of the VET Reform project, entrepreneurship promotion, career guidance, school autonomy, certification of teacher training in CENAFFIF, among others. Stakeholders also raised concerns around many outstanding issues that remain to be addressed.

KEY OUTCOMES/CONCLUSIONS

Tunisian institutions and their representatives have fully appropriated the Torino Process since 2010. The Torino process 2019-2020 has been coordinated by the team of ONEQ in Tunisia, who also presented it at the dissemination event. The stakeholders expressed their appreciation for the TRP as an opportunity to collectively discuss the progress of the VET reform in the country and to serve as a benchmark for the policy dialogue around VET and human capital development issues in Tunisia.

Several stakeholders brought new elements to the discussion and committed to help further improving the final draft of the TRP5 self-evaluation, building on the challenges and their subsequent

recommendations discussed briefly during the meeting. The final version will now be finalised by the ONEQ team and it is expected to be published by ETF on its Open Space platform.

NEXT STEPS:

- *The TRP National Report for Tunisia will be completed by the ONEQ team with inputs from today's participants and when sent to the ETF it will be published in Open Space.*
- *The 8 IRADA regions will present their respective TRP reports in an online event on 11th November. Those reports will be shared on ETF's Open Space, once finalised.*
- *An ETF assessment of Human Capital Challenges in Tunisia is being drafted (as per TRP new methodology) and will be shared with the TRP National Coordinator in order to get comments from national stakeholders prior to publication*
- *The recommendations from the TRP National Report will be referred to in all future exchanges between ETF and the Tunisian stakeholders.*

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