

AGENDA

THE ETF FORUM FOR QUALITY ASSURANCE IN VET – Online meeting with representatives of Eastern Partnership countries

DATE: 21 December 2020, 09.00 – 11.00 Central European Time



CONTEXT

The European Training Foundation (ETF) works with 29 partner countries¹ that have special agreements with the European Union. ETF supports partner countries to develop their own visions for quality assurance modernisation, in accordance with the development of their VET systems and derived from their own existing policies and practices.

Transnational co-operation can help to inspire and speed up quality assurance modernisation. It can be a powerful way to enable those responsible for VET to make quality assurance policies and practices more visible and understandable for the outside world, to exchange best practice, find innovative solutions for new challenges and work together to tackle common issues. ETF encourages collaboration between partner countries, and supports them in using EU quality assurance policies and processes, expertise, instruments and resources.

ETF research on quality assurance in VET developments across partner countries provides evidence of common features in approaches and common modernisation drivers, needs and trends that provide a good basis for transnational co-operation. There is increasing demand from partner countries for ETF support related to: alignment with EU quality assurance policies; engagement in international monitoring and reporting initiatives and participation in international peer learning opportunities and peer review.

¹ [Albania](#), [Algeria](#), [Armenia](#), [Azerbaijan](#), [Belarus](#), [Bosnia and Herzegovina](#), [Egypt](#), [former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia](#), [Georgia](#), [Israel](#), [Jordan](#), [Kazakhstan](#), [Kosovo](#) (* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence), [Kyrgyzstan](#), [Lebanon](#), [Libya](#), [Moldova](#), [Montenegro](#), [Morocco](#), [Palestine](#) (* This designation shall not be construed as recognition of a State of Palestine and is without prejudice to the individual position of the EU Member States on this issue), [Russia](#), [Serbia](#), [Syria](#), [Tajikistan](#), [Tunisia](#), [Turkey](#), [Turkmenistan](#), [Ukraine](#), [Uzbekistan](#)

The ETF Forum, established as a pilot project (2017-2020), has two main aims: to strengthen thematic knowledge and networking/collaboration capabilities. Aims will be achieved by: involving national institutions that are in a position to drive the VET quality assurance reform agenda; developing knowledge- deepening activities as well as knowledge-bases and e-learning contexts; providing a model and an experiential learning context for networking and collaboration capability development and supporting members to establish/facilitate/sustain national networks for VET quality assurance.

During this pilot phase, the forum engaged in several activities ranging from describing their QA systems and approaches to make them legible by others to peer learning activities and peer visits.

As of 2021 the ETF plans to extend the invitation to join the Forum to institutions with mandate for quality assurance in vocational education and training from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, Ukraine. The online meeting on 21 December will have the following objectives:

- To present the ETF Forum for quality assurance in vocational education and training, its tools, working methods and expected outcomes;
- To present the experience and takeaways of Forum members from Western Balkans and Turkey, and Southern & Eastern Mediterranean regions.

REGISTRATION

Please fill in the registration form before 18 December 2020.

Link to registration form: <https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/registrationQAforummeeting21DEC>

This event is organised by the European Training Foundation (www.etf.europa.eu). If you have any questions about the invitation or technical issues, please contact Nadezda Solodjankina at nso@etf.europa.eu. If you have questions on the content of the webinar, please contact Mounir Baati, at mba@etf.europa.eu.

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09:00 - 09:05	<p>Welcome remarks</p> <p><i>Xavier Matheu de Cortada, ETF, Head of Policy Unit</i></p>
09:05 - 09:15	<p>Meeting objectives and agenda</p> <p>Tour de table</p> <p><i>Mounir Baati, ETF, Senior Specialist in VET Quality Assurance</i></p>
09:15 - 09:25	<p>Presentation of the ETF Forum on Quality assurance in VET</p> <p><i>Mounir Baati, ETF, Senior Specialist in VET Quality Assurance</i></p>
09:25 - 09:45	<p>Getting to know each other QA systems: the QA fiches</p> <p><i>Mounir Baati, ETF, Senior Specialist in VET Quality Assurance</i></p> <p><i>Zoran Jovchevski, National Contact Person for North Macedonia in the ETF QA Forum, Vocational Education and Training Center of North Macedonia</i></p>
09:45 - 09:55	<p>Q&A</p>
09:55 - 10:00	<p>Break</p>
10:00 - 10:15	<p>Monitoring VET quality: mapping of EQAVET indicators</p> <p><i>Eva Jansova, ETF, Specialist in Human Capital Development</i></p> <p><i>Dalia Taha, National Contact Person for Egypt in the ETF QA Forum, National Authority for Quality Assurance and Accreditation of Education of Egypt</i></p>
10:15 - 10:30	<p>Peer visits in the context of the forum</p> <p><i>Nadezda Solodjankina, ETF, Project Officer</i></p> <p><i>Fayçal Ben Brahim, National Contact Person for Tunisia in the ETF QA Forum, Ministry of Vocational Training and Employment of Tunisia</i></p>
10:30 - 10:50	<p>Q&A</p>
10:50 - 11:00	<p>Closure and next steps</p> <p><i>Mounir Baati, ETF, Senior Specialist in VET Quality Assurance</i></p>