FLASH REPORT

Event name
7th Forum for the promotion of the Entrepreneurial spirit in the Vocational training system
Entrepreneurial centres of Vocational training: birth of the national Tunisian network.
Hibrid event (online in Zoom + limited face-to-face in Tunisia), 10.11.21, h10.00-12.00

Main objective/s
- share the commitment of the Tunisian government and stakeholders to the next steps towards strengthening and expanding the network of entrepreneurial VET centres, and connecting them to international networks and opportunities.
- provide the space to open up an intellectual debate on the development of entrepreneurial VET centres in Tunisia and the value this contributes to national priorities for social and economic innovation and development.
- present the significant progress made in the framework of cooperation between MEFP and ETF to design and implement an innovative and integrated approach to promote entrepreneurship as a key competence.
- represent an opportunity to celebrate the Tunisian pre-labelled entrepreneurial TVET centres for 2021.

Background
The 7th edition of the Forum is the result of a long cooperation between ETF and the VET system carried out since 2014 to support the development of the entrepreneurial spirit in Tunisia. The integrated approach adopted included the development of policy orientations, the production of a pedagogical toolkit to train and assess entrepreneurial competences and governance aspects to reinforce dialogue among VET schools and their ecosystems.

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE EVENT
ETF and the Tunisian Ministry of Employment and Vocational training, together with the wider “Entrepreneurial community” (including invitees from the Centres of Vocational Excellence under ETF ENE network) celebrated in the 2 hours event the birth of the national network of Entrepreneurial centres of Vocational training. Nine centres received the new label. Engaging discussion took place according to the agenda. About 80 pax participated to the event (in FR and EN), which was also livestreamed on ETF YouTube channel.

KEY OUTCOMES/CONCLUSIONS
The Forum met the stated objectives. In addition, as of this year the innovative work in Tunisia has inspired the new ETF Partnership on Entrepreneurial Centres of Vocational Excellence under the ETF Network for Excellence (ENE) “Centres of Vocational Excellence as engines for Vocational Education and training development” | Open Space (europa.eu)
Meetings’ documents are available in Open Space dedicated page Tunisia case | Open Space (europa.eu). High level participation of ETF Director and the Minister of Employment and Vocational training confirmed strong cooperation between ETF and MEFP.

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