FLASH REPORT

Event name
ETF Quality Assurance Forum webinar on quality assurance in continuing vocational training, 19 November 2021

Main objective/s
The ETF experience in quality assurance (QA) suggests that most QA systems are targeting initial vocational and education training, while continuing vocational training is partially covered. Through this webinar, the objective was to share the experience of some ETF QA forum members in quality assuring continuing vocational training and bring a European perspective about that.

Background
The webinar was organised in the framework of the ETF Forum for Quality Assurance in Vocational Education and Training (ETF QA Forum). ETF QA Forum is a transnational collaboration initiative between national institutions with VET quality assurance mandates in ETF’s partner countries. The aim of the Forum is to support member countries to modernise and improve quality assurance in VET.

ETF defines quality assurance (QA) in vocational education and training as the composite measures established to verify that processes and procedures are in place, which aim to ensure the quality and quality improvement of VET. The measures often have a regulatory or legislative underpinning and status. In initial VET, indicators (employment, satisfaction, etc.), self-assessment, external assessment and others can inform about VET processes and design corrective measures. Do they hold for CVET? The webinar explored it through presentations of experience and practice in the Republic of Moldova, Montenegro, Tunisia and in the EU.

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE EVENT
The webinar was attended by approximately 40 participants. It began with an introduction on the ETF QA Forum by Hugues Moussy, Head of Systems Performance and Assessment Unit, ETF. It was followed by a presentation of Mounir Baati, ETF Senior Human Capital Development Expert, introducing the rationale of the focus of the webinar on QA in the specific area of CVET. Stela Guvir, from the National Agency for QA in Education and Research, presented the external QA of continuous professional training in the Republic of Moldova. This was followed by a presentation on QA of adult learning education in Montenegro by Ivan Marković from the Centre for Vocational Education and Training, as well as on QA in CVET experience of Tunisia jointly presented by Sami Romdhani and Adel Lakhal from the National Center for Continuing Education and Professional Promotion.

KEY OUTCOMES/CONCLUSIONS
Presentations of the speakers are available on the ETF Open Space, ETF webinar on quality assurance in continuing vocational training | Open Space (europa.eu), together with the full report of the webinar, as well as its recordings.

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