

# European Alliance for Apprenticeships (EAfA) Seminar for EAfA partner Countries

13-14 October 2022

## Agenda

Thursday, 13 October 2022

### MORNING SESSION

**Chair: Ms. Ana Carrero, Deputy Head of Unit, DG EMPL, European Commission**

**Location: Radisson Collection Hotel, Old Mill, Bulevar vojvode Mišića, Belgrade 11000, Serbia**

Time	Title / Description
09:00 – 09:30	<b>Arrival and registration of participants</b> (Welcome & coffee)
09:30 – 10:00	<b>Welcome and introductory remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mr. <b>Branko Ružić</b>, Minister of Education, Science and Technological Development, Republic of Serbia</li> <li>➤ <b>Mr Martin Klaucke</b>, Head of Cooperation – Section II, EU Delegation to the Republic of Serbia</li> <li>➤ Mr. <b>Georgios Zisimos</b>, Head of Policy Advice and EU Programming Unit, ETF</li> <li>➤ Ms. <b>Biljana Radonjic Ker-Lindsay</b>, Associate Director, Access to Skill and Employment, Lead Inclusion Economist, EBRD Headquarters</li> </ul>
10:00 – 10:10	<b>Objectives of the Seminar</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mr. <b>Stefan Thomas</b>, Senior Human Capital Development Expert - Work Based Learning and Africa Team, ETF</li> </ul>
10:10 - 10:20	<b>Key messages from EU Social partners</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ms. <b>Agnes Roman</b>, Senior Policy Coordinator on Education and Training policy, ETUC</li> </ul>
10:20 – 11:00	<b>EAfA and latest developments</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ms. <b>Kjerstin Torpmann- Hagen</b>, DG EMPL, European Commission</li> </ul> <b>Benefits of being an EAfA member</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ms. <b>Borka Visnic</b>, TUS, The Teachers' Union of Serbia (EAfA members since 2018)</li> </ul> <b>Welcoming Newcomers in EAfA</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ms. <b>Tamar Kitiashvili</b>, Director General of Skills Agency, Georgia</li> </ul> <b>Apprenticeship benchlearning in ETF partner countries</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mr. <b>Stefan Thomas</b>, Senior Human Capital Development Expert - Work Based Learning and Africa Team, ETF</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mr. <b>Athanasios Tsagkatakis</b>, Head of Department, Ministry of Education and Religious Affairs-General Secretariat for VET, LLL &amp; Youth, Greece</li> </ul>
11:00 – 11:30	<b>Coffee Break</b>
11:30 – 12:00	<p><b>Latest developments on WBL in Serbia: successes and challenges</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Ms. <b>Gabrijela Grujić</b>, Assistant Minister for Dual Education</li> <li>➤ Ms. <b>Mirjana Kovačević</b>, Head of the Centre for Education and Dual Education of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Serbia</li> </ul>
12:00 – 13:00	<p><b>Bazaar: learn and exchange</b></p> <p><i>Seven workstations with two speakers from each country to present the latest developments and achievements and to have a discussion with the participants. Participants will be able to move between the workstations.</i></p> <p>Countries: Albania, North Macedonia, Montenegro, Turkey, Israel, Moldova, Georgia</p> <p>Facilitation: ETF and European Commission</p>
13:00 – 14:00	<b>Lunch</b>

## AFTERNOON SESSION

Time	Title / Description
14:00 – 17:00	<p><b>Site visits</b></p> <p><i>The three site visits will include presentations of the schools/companies and discussions with HR managers, trainers and learners.</i></p> <p><b>Site visit 1: Serbian Chamber of Commerce and Industry</b> Location - <i>Resavska 13-15, 11000 Belgrade. Serbia</i></p> <p><b>Site visit 2: Qualifications Agency of Serbia</b> Location - <i>Majke Jevrosime 51 Belgrade, Serbia</i></p> <p><b>Site visit 3: Aviation Academy</b> Location - <i>Bulevar vojvode Bojovića 2, Belgrade 11158, Serbia</i></p>
19:30 - 22:00	<p><b>Welcome dinner</b></p> <p><b>Dva Jelena Restaurant – Skadarska 32, Belgrade 11000, Serbia</b></p>

# Friday, 14 October 2022

## MORNING SESSION

Chair: Mr. Georgios Zisimos, Head of Policy Advice and EU Programming Unit, ETF

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09:00 – 09:30	<b>Feedback from the site visits</b>  Facilitation: Ms. <b>Floriana Folisi</b> , Human Capital Development Expert - Country Liaison for Algeria, ETF
09:30 – 09:45	<b>Western Balkans Alliance for Work-Based Learning – recent activities and developments</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Ms. <b>Ivana Živadinović</b>, Regional Project Coordinator, Education Reform Initiative of South Eastern Europe/ERI SEE Secretariat.</li></ul>
09:45 – 10:45	<b>Thematic focus 1: Digitalisation and WBL</b> Keynote speaker: Ms. <b>Ana Carrero</b> , Deputy Head of Unit, DG EMPL, European Commission  Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Ms. <b>Tamar Kitiashvili</b>, Director General, National Skills Agency, Georgia</li><li>➤ Ms. <b>Michal Katznelson Levy</b>, Ministry of Economy and Industry, Business Development, VET Division, Israel</li><li>➤ Mr. <b>Hasan Çağlayan Dündar</b>, Head of Department, Advisor of TOBB President, Union of Chambers and Commodity Exchanges of Turkey</li><li>➤ Mr. <b>Karsten Frøhlich Hougaard</b>, Director, Production and Innovation, Danish Technological Institute</li></ul> <p><i>The panel discussion will focus on the latest digital tools used to enhance student learning, better match companies and apprentices for inclusion in the labour market, as well as ensure the monitoring and evaluation of apprentices, the WBL model of education and the experience with SELFIE.</i></p> Facilitation: Ms. <b>Lida Kita</b> , Senior Human Capital Development Expert - Social Inclusion - Country Liaison for Israel, Serbia and Turkey, ETF
10:45 – 11:15	<b>Coffee Break</b>
11:15 – 11:30	<b>The European Apprentices Network: the learners' perspective</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Mr <b>Scott Kelly</b>, Representative of the European Apprentices Network</li></ul> Facilitation: Ms. <b>Emmanuelle Roue</b> , Team Leader, DG EMPL, European Commission
11:30 – 12:15	<b>Thematic focus 2: The Reinforced Youth Guarantee</b> Keynote speakers: Mr. <b>Ben Kinross</b> , Secretariat of the European Apprentices Network and Mr. <b>Baptiste Bouyer</b> , Head of Representation and Institutional Relations French National Association of Apprentices <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Mr. <b>Mladen Frckovski</b>, Labour Market Expert and Youth Guarantee Coordinator, Ministry of Labour, North Macedonia</li><li>➤ Mr. <b>Jani Lehto</b>, Senior Specialist, Ministry of Employment and the Economy, Finland</li><li>➤ Ms. <b>Tiziana Lang</b> – Senior Officer, Secretary General Office of the Minister of Labour, Italy</li></ul>

	<p><i>The panel discussion will provide insights into opportunities created for young people and structural reforms and innovations achieved in the proposal's framework and discuss the need for Youth Guarantee programmes in the Western Balkans as well as the contribution of apprenticeship and traineeship programmes.</i></p> <p>Facilitation: Ms. <b>Emmanuelle Roure</b>, Team Leader, DG EMPL, European Commission</p>
<p><b>12:15 – 12:30</b></p>	<p>Conclusions and closing of the seminar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Mr. <b>Georgios Zisimos</b>, Head of Policy Advice and EU Programming Unit, ETF</li> <li>➤ Ms. <b>Ana Carrero</b>, Deputy Head of Unit, DG EMPL, European Commission</li> <li>➤ Ms. <b>Gabrijela Grujić</b>, Assistant Minister for Dual Education</li> </ul>
<p><b>12:30 – 13:30</b></p>	<p><b>Lunch and departures</b></p>