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VET in times of war:
impact and measures in support of its resilience and recovery

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Impact of war on the lives of Ukrainians and national economy

- 21,965 civilian casualties in Ukraine, including 8,231 deaths and 13,734 injuries
- 477 child fatalities and 960 child injuries
- 5.35 million citizens (including 1 million children) had received official status as internally displaced persons. About 77% of these displaced children had witnessed shelling or bombing, and nearly 30% had experienced occupation
- 8,174,189 refugees from Ukraine fled to Europe, 40% of whom were children
- 29.2% decline in GDP in 2022. The poverty rate rose from 5.5% to 24.2%, pushing an additional 7.1 million people into poverty and reversing 15 years of economic progress
- Unemployment in Ukraine spiked at 24.5% by the end of December 2022, up from 8.9% in 2021
Impact of the war on VET

- 17 VET institutions have been completely destroyed, with an additional 136 institutions bearing varying degrees of damage

- A shortage of human resources, regional imbalances in staff distribution, an exodus of competitive teachers to foreign countries, and a deficiency in life and professional skills to handle students coping with war-induced psychological trauma

- Reappropriation of VET resources such as machinery and equipment for defence purposes, as well as the conversion of dormitories and other spaces into shelters for internally displaced persons
NUMBER OF VET INSTITUTIONS IN UKRAINE AS OF 30 MARCH 2023
BY REGIONS: TOTAL NUMBER, DESTROYED, AND DAMAGED INSTITUTIONS
STRUCTURE OF VET IN TIMES OF WAR SECTION

Martial law and international response to the war

Impact of the war on VET

VET sector responses

Prospects for the recovery of VET in Ukraine

- New priorities, rules, and regulations
- Specific measures: access and participation
- Specific measures: quality, relevance, employability
- Specific measures: system management and organisation
SUPPORTING SYSTEM RESILIENCE DURING THE MARTIAL LAW

- Ensuring access to VET for all learners
- Creating a safe learning environment
- Supporting participation in and graduation from VET institutions
- Supporting competitiveness of the unemployed in the labour market
- Improving quality, matching the skills of VET students to new demands of employers and labour market
- Forming a positive image of modern VET, promotion of working professions
SUPPORTING INNOVATIONS IN VET SYSTEM DURING THE MARTIAL LAW

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Implementation of the national communication campaign "Everything Works Thanks to Us" and the "Put Your Hand to..." campaign;

Career counselling systems
Comparison of Ukrainian NQF with EQF

Financial Agreement "Program to Support VET in Ukraine" to attract EUR 58 million from the European Investment Bank, earmarked for the establishment of a network of Centres of Vocational Excellence

A supplementary agreement to extend the agreement for "EU4Skills: Better Skills for Modern Ukraine" for 3 years (in part of project "EU4Skills: Modernization of the Infrastructure of the VET System in Ukraine")

Model Roadmap for Promoting Gender Equality in VET at the Regional Level (2022)
CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF HUMAN CAPITAL IN VET (2022)

Modernization of VET content for young individuals and adults, and harmonization with EU best practices to enhance the quality of education.

Strengthening of institutional capacities for the proficient implementation of the VET management system.

"Smart Rebuilding": the shaping of a qualitatively new network of VET institutions that are high-tech, attractive, and inclusive.
3 Goals and objectives of the VET reform for 2023-2024

• Restoration and development of the VET network/infrastructure
• Ensuring that the content and quality of education align with the needs of regional labour markets
• VET digitalization, incorporating the organization of distance learning through the Vocational Education Online platform
• Popularization of VET and working professions via a communication campaign calling to enrol in VET institution
THANK YOU!

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