

# AGENDA

## TITLE:

## European Education Area Strategic Framework Working Group on VET and the Green Transition – Peer Learning Activity at ETF premises

TURIN, 21 OCTOBER 2024

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## SUMMARY:

The transition to an environmentally sustainable, circular, and climate-neutral economy has significant social, economic, and employment impacts. Ensuring that all citizens acquire the necessary knowledge, skills, and attitudes is vital for a socially just transformation of the EU. Vocational education and training (VET) is crucial for helping young people and adults develop the skills needed to thrive. The European Education Area Working Group on VET and the Green Transition facilitates technical exchanges and supports countries in implementing the Council Recommendation on VET and the Osnabrück Declaration.

The working group has previously organised various PLA in EU member states showcasing regional best practises in integrating sustainability into VET programmes. This edition will be a little different as it will showcase the international dimension of VET particularly on advancing green VET innovation across and beyond Europe.

It will include sessions on how ETF promotes inter-country exchanges for the benefit of country's green industrial policies in and out of the EEA, followed by a presentation by ICT-ILO on how they approach green VET internationally. It will also be an opportunity to visit the Torino Environment Park, an illustrative example of innovative approaches to skilling for green technology deployment, namely when the private sector takes the lead.

These topics are vital to the integration of sustainable practices in education and industry as countries may be at different levels of VET development but the goals are the same for all economies, and collaboration accelerates progress.

**DAY 1 – 21 October 2024**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Agenda Item</b>
<b>13:30 – 14:00</b>	<b>Registration</b> and welcome sandwich lunch at the European Training Foundation (Viale Settimio Severo 65; 10133 Torino – Italy)
<b>14:00 - 14:15</b>	<b>Opening remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pilvi Torsti, Director, ETF</li></ul>
<b>14:15 – 14:30</b>	<b>Introduction on ETF activities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Manuela Prina, Head of Knowledge Hub for Skills and jobs Unit, ETF</li></ul> <p>Broad overview of ETF perspective on the green transition and the role of VET in low and mid income economies surrounding the EU, as well as the international dimension of EGD.</p>
<b>14:30 – 15:00</b>	<b>Skills for the Green Economy – the role of TVET</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Anna Zongolowicz - Senior Programme Officer at ITCILO</li></ul>
<b>15:00 – 15:45</b>	<b>Presentation of ETF relevant to green VET</b> , including Q&A and discussions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Scaffold for greening VET programmes (Olena Bekh–expert on new forms of learning)</li></ul>
<b>15:45 – 16:00</b>	<b>Building evidence to support vocational excellence for the digital and green transition: The role of centres of vocational excellence in the green transition</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Jolien van Uden – Expert on new forms of learning, ETF</li></ul>
<b>16:00 – 16:30</b>	<i>Coffee Break</i>
<b>16:30 - 16:50</b>	<b>Presentation of NDCP activities</b> relevant to green VET <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Online - Introduction to the Knowledge Nook (kNook - the NDC Partnership’s knowledge management system) (Romeo Bertolini and Sara Wolf, NDCP associate)</li></ul>
<b>16:50 – 17:45</b>	<b>Moderated discussion with participating Working Group members</b> <p>Tour de table and discussion on how members of the group approach international cooperation on VET for the green transition and its relevance to the Working Group</p>

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17:45 – 18:00	<p><b>Closing remarks and introduction to site visit to Environment Park</b></p> <p>Romain Boitard, Focal Point for Green Transition, ETF</p>
18:00	<i>Transfer to City Centre (<a href="#">Hotel Genio</a>)</i>
19.30-22.00	<b>Social dinner at <a href="#">OGR Torino</a></b>

#### DAY 2 – 22 October 2024

Time	Agenda Item
09:30	Meet-up ( <a href="#">Hotel Genio</a> ) and transfer to Environment Park
10:00 – 12:30	<p><b>Site visit to Environment Park</b> - Regional reference point for public administrations and companies working on environmental innovation for 2 decades</p> <p>Environment Park is a Technology Park hosting enterprises, research institutions and initiatives engaged into innovation processes driven by sustainability. The visit will allow a deep immersion into the green transition as it is operated by research, industry and local development agencies. The technology park hosts laboratories where researchers and enterprises are operating, following several technology agendas (new decarbonized energy fuels like hydrogen, carbon capture, storage and utilization, green chemistry processes...); furthermore the park as an agency fosters several initiatives aiming to activate innovative experiences of energy/ecological transition in local communities (energy efficiency, sustainable mobility, energy communities...) and actively cooperates with training institutes in supporting programs to update the competencies that the green transition requires.</p> <p>The visit will include a tour in the technopark facilities and a meeting session with Environment Park staff representatives about the experience (20+ years) in the several activity areas.</p>
12:30 – 13:30	<i>Lunch (at the Environment park)</i>
13:30 – 14:00	<i>Transfer to City Centre (<a href="#">Hotel Genio</a>)</i>