

FLASH REPORT

Event name

Torino Process Policy Makers Roundtable in Israel – launch of the Torino Process 2018-2020, 19 February 2019, Tel Aviv

Main objective/s

- launch the Torino Process 2018-2020 in Israel
- confirm with Torino process working group and the EU delegation, policy relevance of the Torino Process in Israel
- Agree on the next steps.

Background

TO THROUGH LEAD

Israel has taken part in the Torino process since its first edition in 2010 and with the time a consolidated working group contributing to the preparation of the national report has been established, with an institutionalised TVET committee providing the content input and strategic advice. The Torino process coordination is ensured by the Ministry of Education, with the contribution of all the actors including the Ministry of Labour, employers and trade union representatives, as well as the two main educational networks. Amal and ORT and the Central Bureau of Statistics.

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE EVENT

The members of the TVET committee contributing to the preparation for the Torino Process reports (15 representatives in total) took part in the event organised in Tel Aviv at the EU Delegation premises in the presence of the EU Ambassador, H.E. Emanuele Giaufret, the ETF director, Dr Cesare Onestini. The EU Delegation welcomed the initiative to organise the launch meeting of the Torino Process at the EU Delegation to underline the links of the work done by the ETF in the Torino Process and the strong relations and cooperation between EU and Israel.

KEY OUTCOMES/CONCLUSIONS

- The Israeli National coordinator of the Torino Process, Dr Florence Azran from the Ministry of Education and chair to the TVET committee confirmed interest to take part in the Torino process and highlighted the deep changing that the education underwent since the first launch of the Torino Process 8 years ago. These changes have been triggered by the fast changing economic environment, mainly in the high tech sector but not exclusively, and education cannot afford to be left behind. The Torino process is a tool for self-reflection on the education and training system and this was confirmed by Dr Ronit Ashkenazi, Deputy Director General of the AMAL school network and member of the TVET committee who also welcome the opportunity to carry out this self-reflection in the framework provided by the Torino Process. The two-three years interval of Torino process cycle offers a good timespan to reflect on changes and progress in education and training reforms.
- The participants highlighted some thematic areas that could be of interest to be considered for a deeper analysis through the Torino process and these include: a) qualifications; b) future of skills, c) work based learning and the role of employers.

- The participants also welcome the opportunities offered by the Torino Process for the sharing and learning from other countries, on how common challenges are addressed. The people to people contact and the creation of platforms for exchanges have been very much appreciated as one of the complementary success factors of the Torino Process
- The use of the Torino Process as a tool to identify areas to be supported through EU instruments has been also considered an important value added of the Torino Process, through twinning, Taiex, Erasmus + as well as current initiatives to strengthen the role of civil society.

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