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Europe

EU

15 new Centres of Vocational Excellence launched

https://www.eacea.ec.europa.eu/news-events/news/15-new-centres-vocational-excellence-launched-2024-03-20 en

Publication: Digital skills playbook for educators

https://www.eacea.ec.europa.eu/news-events/news/new-publication-digital-skills-playbook-educators-2024-04-08 en

Insights from the sixth European Education Summit

https://education.ec.europa.eu/news/insights-from-the-sixth-european-education-summit

9th Cohesion Report shows that Cohesion Policy continues to narrow the gaps in EU regions and Member States

https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip 24 1616



ETI

New Learning Club on "Innovative STEAM education", "Teaching with Artificial Intelligence", "Engaging and inclusive teaching methods for upskilling and reskilling of adults"

https://openspace.etf.europa.eu/pages/new-learning-clubs

Eurofond

Eurofound launches new online survey on living and working in the European Union

https://www.eurofound.europa.eu/en/surveys/living-and-working-eu-e-survey/e-survey-2024

Ukrainians in EU have found temporary jobs but struggle to access public services

https://www.mynewsdesk.com/eurofound/news/ukrainians-in-eu-have-found-temporary-jobs-but-struggle-to-access-public-services-481903

The changing structure of employment in the EU: Annual review 2023

https://www.eurofound.europa.eu/en/publications/2024/changing-structure-employment-eu-annual-review-2023

Analysis of the European Child Guarantee monitoring frameworks

https://www.eurofound.europa.eu/en/publications/eurofound-paper/2024/analysis-european-child-guarantee-monitoring-frameworks

Eurochambres

Eurochambres Vice President and Skills Committee Chair, Martha Schultz, emphasized the escalating skill shortages noted by entrepreneurs across Europe

https://twitter.com/eurochambres/status/1770724052098830720?s=46

Publication: EU enlargement – the business perspective

https://www.eurochambres.eu/publication/eu-enlargement-the-business-perspective/

International Organisation

OECD

Launch of PISA-VET framework: The PISA-VET framework is a roadmap for the assessment of the knowledge and skills required for vocational occupations.

https://worldskills.org/media/news/launch-pisa-vet-framework-global-milestone/

UNICEF and ETF

Report by UNICEF and ETF: What kinds of career guidance and career education services do young people want in Europe and Central Asia?

https://www.etf.europa.eu/en/publications-and-resources/publications/learning-careers

UNEVOC

A UNEVOC Centre's journey to become a greener TVET institution

https://unevoc.unesco.org/home/fwd2UNEVOC+Quarterly+Issue+March+2024

UNICEF

Publication: Unmasking racism: guidelines for educational materials

https://unesdoc.unesco.org/ark:/48223/pf0000388802.locale=en

WorldSkills

Applications open for BeChangeMaker 2024

https://worldskills.org/what/projects/bechangemaker/2024/apply/



Science Notes

Some things are developing better than they appear in the news and pictures.

https://sciencenotes.de/gut-gemacht/15-entwicklungen-fuer-eine-positive-zukunft/

Countries

Czech republic

The National Pedagogical Institute submits for public consultation the results of the work of expert working groups that dealt with the revision of the Framework Education Programme for Preschool and Basic Education (FEP PV and BE).

https://press.npi.cz/tema/npi-cr-spousti-verejnou-konzultaci-k-revizi-rvp-zapojit-se-muze-kazdy

Denmark

The share of students in social and health education who have entered into a training agreement with an employer when they complete part 2 of the basic course has increased again in 2023.

https://www.uvm.dk/aktuelt/nyheder/uvm/2024/mar/240315-nye-tal-stadig-flere-elever-paa-social-og-sundhedsuddannelserne



Nordics

The report "EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE – an Investment in the Future" provides a brief overview of Nordic research in the field of early childhood education and care (ECEC).

https://www.norden.org/en/news/investing-early-care-investing-future

Switzerland

At its autumn conference, the Swiss Conference of Directors of Vocational Schools (SDK) took up the topic of cooperation between the three learning locations of school, company and inter-company course and formulated eight theses on the subject.

https://transfer.vet/mehr-miteinander-in-der-berufsbildung/

Report commissioned by the Swiss Conference for Vocational, Academic and Career Counselling on the definition of career management skills

https://transfer.vet/definition-von-laufbahngestaltungskompetenzen/

Discussion about titles of higher vocational education and training qualifications: Professional Bachelor and Professional Master

https://transfer.vet/auf-den-spuren-von-christo-ueber-die-sprachliche-verhuellung-von-bildungsabschluessen/

The Netherlands

The Amsterdam Internship Pact contains agreements on improving internships. The starting point of the pact is that every MBO student in Amsterdam should have access to a suitable internship, with good guidance from school.

https://www.s-bb.nl/nieuws/sbb-tekent-amsterdams-stagepact-onder-toeziend-oog-van-koningin-maxima/

Citizenship education exam mandatory for MBO students in 2026

 $\underline{https://www.rijksoverheid.nl/actueel/nieuws/2024/04/04/examen-burgerschapsonderwijs-verplichtvoor-mbo-studenten-in-2026}$

Citizenship education in VET: The MBO Council on the plan of Education Minister Dijkgraaf to start examining the subject of Citizenship from 2026. The MBO Council regards the idea of completing citizenship with an unsatisfactory, satisfactory or good as highly undesirable

https://www.mboraad.nl/nieuws/mbo-raad-kritisch-op-plan-examinering-burgerschap

Solid basis for expected decline in student numbers: On Wednesday 10 April, the MBO Council presented the Benchmark MBO 2022 to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Education, Culture and Science. The benchmark provides information about the performance of the MBO schools. For this benchmark, almost all MBO schools participated.

https://www.mboraad.nl/nieuws/benchmark-mbo-2022-solide-basis-daling-studentenaantallen

Basic Figures for Youth and the Regional Sketches 2023 published by UWV and the Cooperation Organisation for Vocational Education and the Labour Market (SBB)

https://www.s-bb.nl/nieuws/werk-als-verzorgende-ig-monteur-en-gastheer-of-vrouw-meest-kansrijk-voor-mbo-studenten/

Recognition through Practical Statement

 $\frac{https://www.s-bb.nl/nieuws/mijlpaal-al-10000-mensen-kregen-erkenning-voor-hun-praktische-vaardigheden-door-de-praktijkverklaring/$

Assessment to classify study programmes for life long learning

https://www.rijksoverheid.nl/actueel/nieuws/2024/04/09/beter-inzicht-in-opleidingsniveau-voor-een-leven-lang-ontwikkelen

The MBO Council, the Cooperation Organisation for Vocational Education and the Labour Market (SBB) and the Employee Insurance Agency (UWV) are joining forces to tackle the shortages in the labour market.

https://www.mboraad.nl/nieuws/samenwerkingsagenda-mbo-raad-sbb-en-uwv

Turkey

Turkish Employment Agency (ISKUR) supports secondary high school graduates, develops new tools and provides sign language training for job and employment counsellors

https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/news/turkish-employment-agency-iskur-supports-secondary-high-school-graduates-develops-new-tools-and

Ukraine

DAAD establishes Ukraine Competence Centres, Interview with G. Zimmermann

https://www.daad.de/de/der-daad/kommunikation-publikationen/presse/pressemitteilungen/2024/daad-foerdert-interdisziplinaere-ukrainestudien/

Save the Date

17/04/2024: VET in action – Evidence from implementing EU priorities in national VET plans. Virtual get-together, Cedefop and ReferNet on how countries implement their national implementation plans (NIPs) to address the common EU priorities.

https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/events/vet-action-evidence-implementing-eu-priorities-national-vet-plans

5-6/06/2024: Conference: Vocational Excellence for a Green Europe. This conference is part of the GREENOVET project in the frame of ERASMUS+ KA3 with 18 project partners from 4 European countries.

https://www.greentech.at/en/greenovet-conference/

12-14/06/2024: Eurochambres Congress 2024

https://www.eurochambres.eu/eurochambres-congress-2024/

17/09/2024: EHB-OBS-Tagung: Qualifikationsverfahren auf dem Prüfstand

https://www.ehb.swiss/veranstaltungen/ehb-obs-tagung-qualifikationsverfahren-auf-dem-pruefstand



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