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Europe

European Commission

EU Net Zero Industry Act: To stimulate investment into net-zero technologies, the Act proposes amongst others „Enhancing skills: setting up Net-Zero Industry Academies, with the support and oversight by the Net-Zero Europe Platform. These will provide training and education on net-zero technologies, and lead to quality jobs creation.“

https://commission.europa.eu/strategy-and-policy/priorities-2019-2024/european-green-deal/green-deal-industrial-plan/net-zero-industry-act_en



State of the Union 2023 speech by Commission President von der Leyen on 13 September 2023 at 09:00

https://state-of-the-union.ec.europa.eu/index_de

Summer 2023 Economic Forecast: Easing growth momentum amid declining inflation and robust labour market

https://economy-finance.ec.europa.eu/economic-forecast-and-surveys/economic-forecasts/summer-2023-economic-forecast-easing-growth-momentum-amid-declining-inflation-and-robust-labour_en

International organisations

OECD

OECD Education at a Glance 2023: Vocational training will be key to meeting increasing demands for skilled workers and adapting to a changing labour market

<https://www.oecd.org/newsroom/vocational-training-will-be-key-to-meeting-increasing-demands-for-skilled-workers-and-adapting-to-a-changing-labour-market.htm>



Interview: Vocational Education and Training PISA. The first results are expected in 2028.

<https://www.deutschlandfunk.de/interview-stephan-abele-ab-2028-soll-ein-berufsbildungs-pisa-kommen-dlf-8f7c9feb-100.html>

<https://www.bmbf.de/bmbf/de/europa-und-die-welt/pisa-in-der-berufsbildung/pisa-in-der-berufsbildung.html>

<https://www.oecd.org/pisa/vet.htm>

UN

UN Secretary-General Creates Scientific Advisory Board for Independent Advice on Breakthroughs in Science and Technology

<https://press.un.org/en/2023/sga2223.doc.htm>

World Skills

One year countdown to to the 47th WorldSkills Competition, which will be held in Lyon, France from 10-15 September 2024.

<https://worldskills.org/media/news/one-year-countdown-worldskills-lyon-2024/>

Countries



Austria

Initiative "Educational innovation needs educational research": nine projects supported with around 8.8 million euros

<https://www.bmbwf.gv.at/Ministerium/Presse/20230802a.html>

New training year: How does the training guarantee work in Austria?

<https://www.deutschlandfunk.de/neues-ausbildungsjahr-wie-funktioniert-die-ausbildungsgarantie-in-oesterreich-dlf-03e59bd3-100.html>

Denmark

Government's draft budget for 2024: The government will allocate DKK 911 million annually for vocational education and training.

<https://www.uvm.dk/aktuelt/nyheder/uvm/2023/aug/230830-regeringens-finanslovsforslag-for-2024>

Significant geographical differences in the proportion of young people in vocational education and training.

<https://www.uvm.dk/aktuelt/nyheder/uvm/2023/aug/230816-markante-geografiske-forskelle-i-andelen-af-unge-paa-erhvervsuddannelser>

The government establishes a Commission for the Well-being of Children and Young People.

<https://www.uvm.dk/aktuelt/nyheder/uvm/2023/aug/230810-regeringen-nedsaetter-trivselskommissionen>

France

The new continuing education landscape for jobseekers

<https://www.cereq.fr/organisme-de-formation-demandeurs-demploi>

Evaluation: 70 % of seniors still want to develop professionally before retirement

<https://www.cereq.fr/comment-les-seniors-envisagent-ils-leur-avenir-professionnel-jusqua-la-retraite>

Pension reform, teacher remuneration: What will change on 1 September 2023?

<https://www.la-croix.com/Economie/Reforme-retraites-remuneration-enseignants-change-1er-septembre-2023-2023-08-31-1201280790>

Comment: More foresight in French education policy at the start of the school year in France.

<https://www.la-croix.com/Debats/Rentree-scolaire-longue-vue-2023-09-03-1201281223>

Germany

BIBB has moved: From 04.09.2023 the new address will be: Friedrich-Ebert-Allee 114-116, 53113 Bonn.

<https://www.bibb.de/de/index.php>

Hungary

A digital literacy initiative on how project-based learning (PBL) can be integrated into vocational education

<https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/news/hungary-project-based-learning-21st-century-skill-development>

Teachers' Career Act passed in parliament

<https://www.parlament.hu/irom42/04255/04255.pdf>

<https://magyarnemzet.hu/belfold/2023/07/az-orszaggyules-elfogadta-az-uj-pedagogus-eletpalyajat>

Commentary on the Teachers' Career Act

https://nepszava.hu/3200692_136-igen

Nordics

Rights-based analysis related to children and young people (RBA) in the Nordic Council of Ministers is a tool that helps assess the impact of our activities on children and young people (0-25 years old).

https://www.norden.org/en/publication/rights-based-analysis-related-children-and-young-people-nordic-council-ministers?utm_medium=email&utm_source=transactional&utm_campaign=Norden_Newsletter

Poland

More money and more recognition: Teacher protests in Poland

<https://www.deutschlandfunk.de/mehr-geld-und-mehr-anerkennung-lehrer-proteste-in-polen-dlf-eff932c6-100.html>

In Poland, no one wants to teach in school anymore

<https://krytykapolityczna.pl/kraj/edukacja-nauczyciele-odchodza-ze-szkol/>

Switzerland

Report: Challenges in Vocational (field)development

https://www.sbf.admin.ch/sbf/de/home/dienstleistungen/publikationen/publikationsdatenbank/be_richt_berufsfeldentwicklung_ehb_2023.html

Comment: 20 years of the Vocational Training Act. The Vocational Training Act must be further developed

<https://transfer.vet/das-berufsbildungsgesetz-muss-weiterentwickelt-werden/>

First results of a model project: vocational training in the Junior Team. Teams of apprentices in the companies learning the same occupation and supervised by a full-time employee.

<https://transfer.vet/junior-team-als-alternative-zum-klassischen-dualen-modell/>

Representative study "Gen Z's expectations of the world of work

<https://www.swiss-skills.ch/de/news/17553/swisskills-studie-zeigt-fur-die-berufstalente-der-gen-z-stehen-ein-gutes-arbeitsklima-sowie-wertschatzung-an-erster-stelle>

Study: Higher vocational schools in dealing with the digital transformation

<https://www.ehb.swiss/news/digitale-transformation-hoeheren-fachschulen>

Pilot study on the current status of sustainability-related content and methods in continuing education

https://aaewl.r.a.d.sendibm1.com/mk/cl/f/sh/SMK1E8tHeGtwqsl1kjvgl2OZKbVF/M_63bhTAC7Q6

EHB Magazine "skilled" International Issue No 1/2023 with a statement of Birgit Thomann, Head of the VET International Department, Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training, Germany as to why international exchange on VET is worthwhile.

https://www.ehb.swiss/sites/default/files/2023-05/skilled_1-23_de_0.pdf?_gl=1*4wschc*_up*MQ..*_ga*MTg5NzU2MTUwOC4xNjk0NTMyNzA5*_ga_2L0TGBZVHC*MTY5NDUzMjcwOS4xLjEuMTY5NDUzMjcyNS4wLjAuMA..

From the 2024/25 school year, the new vocational apprenticeships «Solarmonteur:in EBA» and «Solarinstallateur:in EFZ» will start.

<https://www.strom.ch/de/pressemitteilung/gruenes-licht-fuer-schweizer-solarlehren-ab-2024>

UK

UK rejoins EU research programmes: EU-UK relations: Commission and UK reach political agreement on UK participation in Horizon Europe and Copernicus

https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/IP_23_4374

The article takes a look at research and higher education policy developments in the UK since Brexit.

<https://www.universityworldnews.com/post.php?story=20230721095123292>

Ukraine

IMPRESS-U: international partnership initiative for a resilient education and research system in Ukraine

<https://www.kooperation-international.de/aktuelles/nachrichten/detail/info/impres-u-internationale-partnerschaftsinitiative-fuer-ein-widerstandsfahiges-bildungs-und-wissenschaftssystem-in-der-ukraine>

USA

Experience abroad: German care workers in the USA

<https://www.deutschlandfunk.de/auslandserfahrung-deutsche-pflegekraefte-in-den-usa-dlf-a4a53a78-100.html>

Events

17-19/09/2023: SDG Summit 2023. The United Nations will convene the SDG Summit in New York, during the General Assembly high-level week. The official meetings will be available live.

<https://live.ilo.org/events/sdg-summit-2023-2023-09>

15/11/2023: Conference "Mental health of learners in companies and vocational schools - prerequisites and possibilities for action". Organisers: SGAB, Gesundheitsförderung Schweiz und der Interkantonalen Hochschule für Heilpädagogik (HfH). Venue: Zürich.

<https://sgab-srfp.ch/psychische-gesundheit-von-lernenden-in-betrieb-und-berufsfachschule-voraussetzungen-und-handlungsmoeglichkeiten/>

08/12/2023: OKB Symposium 2023. Learners and vocational educators - a wild temporary relationship adventure. Organiser: Eastern Switzerland Competence Centre for Vocational Education and Training. Venue: St.Gallen/ Live-Podcast available

<https://www.berufsbildung-ost.ch/>



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