

## REFERNET VETNEWS INTERNATIONAL

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### Europe

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#### European Commission

Publication: This note seeks to look back at the development and implementation process of the European Credit System for Vocational Education and Training (ECVET).

<https://op.europa.eu/fr/publication-detail/-/publication/cdd6f920-0a03-11ec-b5d3-01aa75ed71a1>

Rede zur Lage der Union 2021. Am 15. September übermittelte Kommissionspräsidentin Ursula von der Leyen ihre Absichtserklärung an Parlamentspräsident David Sassoli und den slowenischen Ministerpräsidenten Janez Janša für den Vorsitz im Rat. Darin legt sie dar, welche Maßnahmen die Kommission in Form von Rechtsvorschriften und sonstigen Initiativen für das kommende Jahr plant.

[https://ec.europa.eu/info/strategy/strategic-planning/state-union-addresses/state-union-2021\\_de](https://ec.europa.eu/info/strategy/strategic-planning/state-union-addresses/state-union-2021_de)



#### CEDEFOP

European Commission Vice President Margaritis Schinas visits Cedefop

<https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/publications-and-resources/videos/european-commission-vice-president-margaritis-schinas-visits-cedefop>

Publication: 'Skillset and match' September 2021

<https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/news-and-press/news/skillset-and-match-september-2021-out>

Publication: Apprenticeship governance and in-company training: where labour market and education meet

<https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/publications-and-resources/publications/6203>

Cedefop Executive Director Jürgen Siebel shared insights from the agency's work regarding digital upskilling and reskilling in the European Union

<https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/news-and-press/news/we-must-double-speed-training-cedefop-executive-director>

Aktuelle Ausschreibungen:

Europäische Erhebung über Lernen am Arbeitsplatz (LiW) und Fallstudien in Unternehmen

<https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/about-cedefop/public-procurement/european-learning-work-liw-survey-and-enterprise-case-studies-data-collection-incidence-drivers>

Individuelle Lernkonten (ILAs) und das Potenzial für integrierte Fördermaßnahmen und -systeme für die berufliche Weiterbildung und Erwachsenenbildung

<https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/about-cedefop/public-procurement/individual-learning-accounts-ilas-and-potential-integrated-support-policies-and-systems-cvet>

### **European Training Foundation (ETF)**

A dynamic conversation with experts took place during ETF's livestreamed event Wednesday 15th September on non-formal and informal learning.

<https://www.etf.europa.eu/en/news-and-events/news/understanding-non-formal-learning>

Report: Listening to vocational teachers and principals. Results of the ETF's international survey 2018

<https://op.europa.eu/fr/publication-detail/-/publication/e451b262-00e6-11ec-8f47-01aa75ed71a1/language-en>

Report: Centres of vocational excellence: Autonomy in forging public-private partnerships in vocational education and skills development

<https://www.etf.europa.eu/en/publications-and-resources/publications/centres-vocational-excellence-autonomy-forging-public>

Report: How migration, human capital and the labour market interact in Montenegro

<https://www.etf.europa.eu/en/publications-and-resources/publications/how-migration-human-capital-and-labour-market-interact-3>

Report: Policies for human capital development: Southern and Eastern Mediterranean region – An ETF Torino Process assessment

<https://www.etf.europa.eu/en/publications-and-resources/publications/policies-human-capital-development-southern-and-eastern>

### **European Expert Network on Economics of Education (EENEE)**

This publication investigates the cyclicity of skill accumulation in Europe, using data from the European Labour Force Survey (ELFS) for 2005-18. Pooling data across all EU-27 countries, and across employed and not employed workers, we estimate that adult learning – which comprises both formal education and training – is acyclical and that training is mildly countercyclical.

<https://op.europa.eu/fr/publication-detail/-/publication/cde78e3f-8d1b-11eb-b85c-01aa75ed71a1>

Policy brief accompanying the analytical report on Quality of School Life and Student Outcomes in Europe

<https://eenee.eu/en/resources/library/quality-of-school-life-and-student-outcomes-in-europe-2/>

### **Eurydice**

This Eurydice report focuses on adult education and training in Europe. It investigates current approaches to promoting lifelong learning, with a particular emphasis on policies and measures supporting adults with low levels of skills and qualifications to access learning opportunities.

[https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/national-policies/eurydice/node/11855\\_en](https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/national-policies/eurydice/node/11855_en)

The Organisation of School Time in Europe Primary and General Secondary Education 2021/22

[https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/national-policies/eurydice/node/11853\\_en](https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/national-policies/eurydice/node/11853_en)

## International organizations

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### UNESCO-UNEVOC

International Literacy Day (ILD) 2021 will be celebrated under the theme “Literacy for a human-centred recovery: Narrowing the digital divide”.

<https://en.unesco.org/commemorations/literacyday>

Launch of the 2021 UNESCO-UNEVOC TVET Leadership Programme

<https://unevoc.unesco.org/home/Launch+of+the+2021+UNESCO-UNEVOC+TVET+Leadership+Programme>

### OECD

OECD Youth Week 2021: Prepared for the future?

<https://www.oecd.org/about/civil-society/youth/>

OECD Forum Virtual Event: “Equity in Education: Unlocking Opportunities Throughout Life”

<https://www.oecd-forum.org/posts/oecd-forum-virtual-event-equity-in-education-unlocking-opportunities-throughout-life>

The findings of an OECD survey on Social and Emotional Skills found some of social and emotional skills are positively related to academic performance and outline why it is important for education systems to strive for a holistic development of their students.

<https://oecdeditoday.com/new-approach-social-emotional-skills/>

How Brazil’s national assessment can support learning and equity goals

<https://oecdeditoday.com/how-brazils-national-assessment-can-support-learning-and-equity-goals/>

Employment Outlook

<https://www.oecd.org/employment-outlook/>

Rebuilding resilient labour markets: OECD Employment Outlook 2021

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D3mFi4k85K8>

### BLUB WORLD. Inspiring Children Across the World

The deadline to participate in The World Teen Parliament has been extended until 15 December. The project is aimed at students aged 13 to 18 and is supported by UNESCO. They will participate in a free programme that will train them as leaders and support them in making their proposal a reality.

<https://www.blubworld.com/worldteenparliament>

## Countries

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### Austria

AMS WIEN NETZWERK-NEWS 79 u.a. Lehrlinge der ÜBA teilten ihre Erfahrungen mit interessierten Jugendlichen und Wiener Wochen für Beruf und Weiterbildung 2021

[http://news.ams.at/u/gm.php?prm=z8SC1AZbV6\\_113197077\\_1656771\\_1128&esuh=11\\_dac0d1f84132b04ae8d15ced3e5bfba87e6701cc92cdac5c1292d158af12db33](http://news.ams.at/u/gm.php?prm=z8SC1AZbV6_113197077_1656771_1128&esuh=11_dac0d1f84132b04ae8d15ced3e5bfba87e6701cc92cdac5c1292d158af12db33)

## Denmark

Blended learning has freed up time in the classroom at Copenhagen Business School

<https://www.eva.dk/videregaaende-uddannelse/blended-learning-frigjort-tid-undervisningslokalet-paa-cbs>

In this inspiration catalogue, the Evaluation Institute (EVA) presents seven initiatives that are essential for creating quality in digital courses.

<https://www.eva.dk/voksen-efteruddannelse/tiltag-oege-kvaliteten-digitale-laeringsforloeb>

In a new study, EVA has identified four types of new students with different social needs.

<https://www.eva.dk/videregaaende-uddannelse/nye-studerende-forskellige-behov-studiestarten>



## Norway

The Directorate for Higher Education and Skills was officially opened. The directorate is the executive agency for the Ministry of Education and Research within the higher education and higher vocational education sectors and is responsible for the

national skills policy.

<https://hkdir.no/aktuelt/hoeytidelig-lansering-i-bergen#>

## The Netherlands

On 16 September, the Knowledge Point MBO Equal Opportunities, Diversity and Inclusion of the MBO Council (VET Council) will launch its website.

<https://www.mбораad.nl/nieuws/lansering-website-gelijke-kansen-diversiteit-en-inclusie-iedereen-telt-mee>

"If the large group of low-literate people is to be able to keep up with the labour market, the threshold for this group to retrain, retrain and retrain must be significantly lowered," says the director of the Reading and Writing Foundation in conversation with MBO Council.

<https://www.mбораad.nl/nieuws/adnan-tekin-gesprek-met-geke-van-velzen-van-stichting-lezen-en-schrijven-drempels-voor-om-en>

The Week of Reading and Writing will take place from 6 to 12 September 2021.

<https://www.lezenenschrijven.nl/wat-doen-wij/oplossing-voor-je-vraagstuk/week-van-lezen-en-schrijven>

Queen Máxima officially opened the MBO (VET) year on Friday 3 September.

<https://www.mбораad.nl/nieuws/koningin-m%C3%A1xima-%E2%80%98mbo%E2%80%99ers-zijn-cruciaal%E2%80%99>

Curio, the professional trainer of West Brabant, has commissioned economic consultancy LPBL to investigate the social and economic value of MBO in this region.

<https://www.curio.nl/nieuws/mbo-van-onschatbare-waarde/>

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<https://www.vdab.be/nieuws/magezine/sep-2021>

## Upcoming events

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20 - 24 September 2021: OECD Youth Week

<https://www.oecd.org/social/OECDYouthWeek.htm>



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