



Education and Culture DG

European policy - lifelong guidance and Lisbon strategy

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EU Policy Cooperation in Education & Training

- Support national E+T reforms within «Lisbon strategy for growth and jobs» (guidelines 23+24)
- Policy framework: « Education and Training 2010 work programme », incl. Copenhagen process
 - *Common objectives and targets*
 - *National LLL strategies*
 - *Peer Learning (e.g. learning outcomes, access)*
 - *Monitoring and reporting (e.g. Joint Report 2008)*
 - *Common references and tools (EQF, Europass, ECTS, Guidance, Ploteus)*
 - *Council Conclusions (e.g. New Skills for New Jobs)*
- Lifelong learning programme 2007-2013
- Cedefop, ETF, Eurydice



EU Policy Development LLL + LLG

- LLL Communication 2001
- LLG Council Resolution 2004
- LLG expert group 2002-06
- Projects bringing together guidance systems in 12 countries 2004-06
- Career guidance handbook 2004
- Finnish conference Nov 2006
- European Lifelong Guidance Policy Network (ELGPN) 2007
- French conference 2008



2004 Council Resolution

- Strengthen policies, systems and practice
- High- quality lifelong guidance for learning+ work
- Better quality assurance for services, information and products
- Effective cooperation to widen access and ensure coherence of provision
- Strengthened structures involving all key players
- Need for enhanced EU cooperation in LLG



Report from Finnish conference on lifelong guidance, Nov 2006

- Much achieved in Member States in improving access and quality of guidance systems.
- Significant gaps remain in policy+provision and deficits in quality.
- Momentum of national developments should be sustained by improved cooperation at EU level.
- Encouraging active engagement of all countries.

Suggested actions within Member States

- National guidance fora to support policy development
- Embrace all dimensions and sectors of guidance (schools, VET, HE, public employment, community-based services)
- Nature, tasks and structures of fora will vary considerably depending on country
- Active involvement of policy-makers essential (links policy, research and practice)

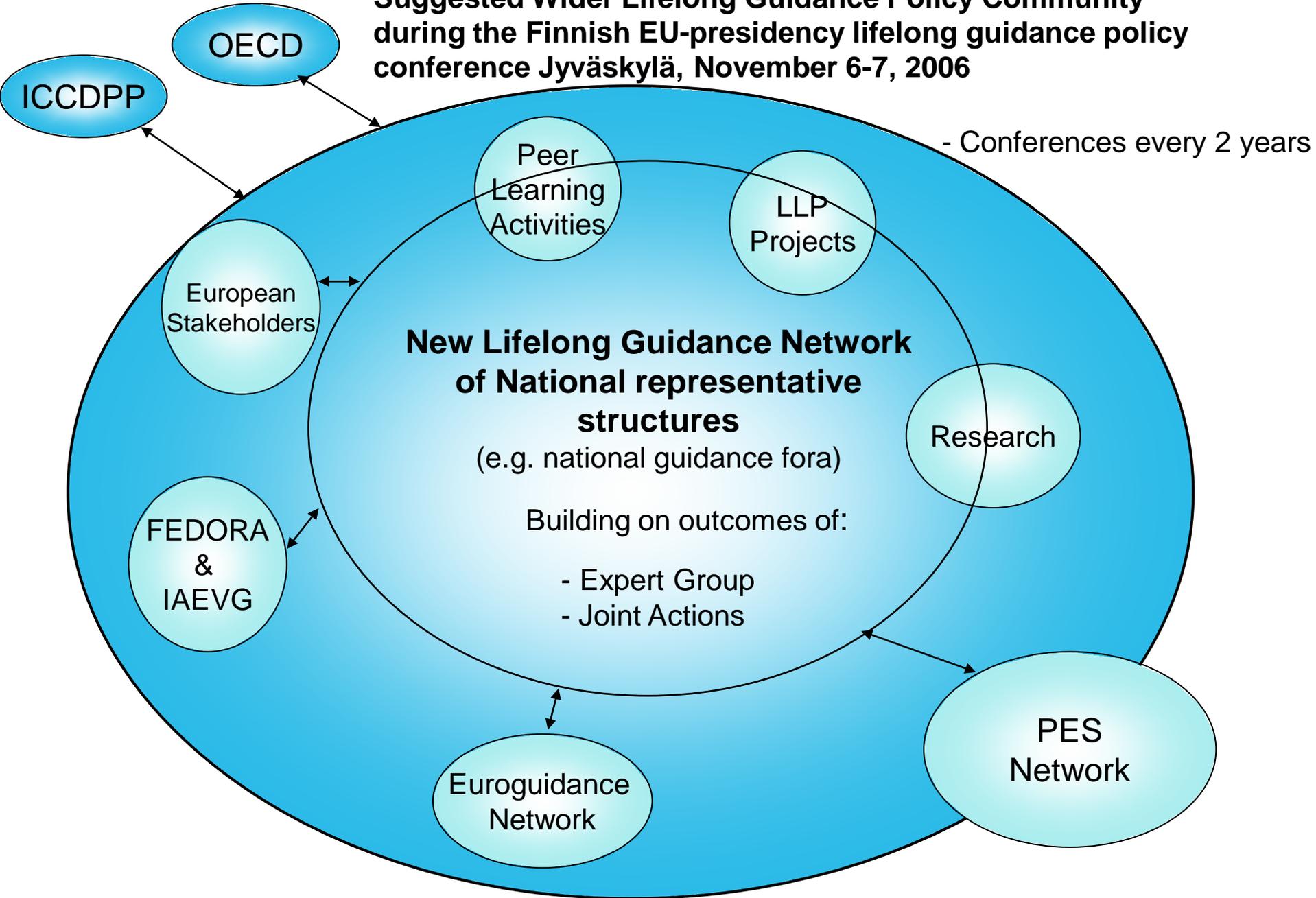


Suggested actions at EU level

- Work of national guidance fora could be strengthened by a European Lifelong Guidance Policy Network (ELGPN)
- Network should aim to improve lifelong guidance provision for all citizens by supporting development of policy and practice, national and European



Suggested Wider Lifelong Guidance Policy Community during the Finnish EU-presidency lifelong guidance policy conference Jyväskylä, November 6-7, 2006



Co-operation with other structures

- Network and national fora linked to other relevant European networks and initiatives.
 - Euroguidance network.
 - Public Employment Services (PES) network.
 - Professional networks, e.g. IAEEVG, FEDORA.
 - Other international organisations, bodies (e.g. ICCDPP, OECD)
 - Other relevant stakeholder networks (e.g. social partners, parents).



Future conferences (biennial)

- All EU guidance-related networks and initiatives
- Review national progress
- Representation of key bodies within country teams
- Country reports in advance



French Presidency of EU (2008)

- Guidance as top priority and crucial to multiple challenges
 - social cohesion and early school leavers
 - transition to labour market and skills acquisition
- Major conference on guidance including:
 - access to HE, partnerships between schools and businesses, initial training and adult learning
- Possible Council Conclusions + link to Copenhagen conference

