Task Group 1 EU Education & Training and Employment Policy monitoring from an LLG perspective

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The EU policy context should bring to the fore the role of policies for career guidance

- The European Union faces new challenges both within and outside its borders
- In this context, lifelong guidance has more and more a key role to play in European Education & Training, Employment and Social Cohesion policies,
- The 2008 EU Council Resolution invite the MS « to ensure that LLG policy is ... more tightly devotailed with the various European policy areas »
- ELGPN has a key role to ensure that LLG is fully reflected in relevant EU processes and policy documents
- In this respect:
- the outcomes of the network activities should have an impact upon regional, national and EU lifelong guidance development
- The ELGPN members should be informed on the current EU policies so that they could be involved in the policy processes

Objectives of Task Group 1

- Towards ELGPN members: check how European policies take account of lifelong guidance and share the information gathered with them.
- Towards ELGPN members: ground the thematic activities of the ELGPN firmly in an EU policy context.
- From the ELGPN members towards the European policy-makers: provide alerts on current processes and advice to help the network members to *"be involved in the policy processes"*
- Make the outcomes of the network valued within the European policies for education, training, employment, and social inclusion.

ELGPN outputs 2009-2010

- The TG1 report : 3 chapters :
- The first part examines how the role of guidance has been **gradually** taken into account as a key strategic component of lifelong learning in employment strategies as well as in education & training sector and has moved towards lifelong guidance paradigm.
- The second part provides an analysis of the recent EU policy documents related to the role of LLG in the current economic crisis.
- The third part deals with the future developments of the actions related to the theme of lifelong guidance in the context of **2020 STRATEGY FOR GROWTH AND JOBS :THE ROLE OF LIFELONG GUIDANCE AND ELGPN IN CURRENT EU POLICY DEVELOPMENTS**

AND IN THE E&T 2020 PROGRAMME

Format of the report

- The first part provides a background since the 2000 Lisbon Strategy on employment, education sides and in the EU social partners field
- The second and third parts provides a very brief analysis of the most relevant strategies and actions
- And proposes
- 1- some reflections for further ELGPN work
- 2- some ways for valuing the 2009-2010 WP's outcomes in the further EU actions and EU 2020 working groups

Conclusions

- These analysises and propositions are not exhaustive
- This is a on-going work, never achieved...
- But in the future :
- The ELGPN members may not be unaware of the EU policy context of which their reflections are part.
- The ELGPN work on lifelong guidance policies in the next phase should be more than currently situated in the context of EU2020 and the EU policy in Education, Training, Employment, in order to make the outcomes of the network valued within the European policies.
- One reason is **that Lifelong Guidance plays a pivotal role.**
- Another reason is that it should prove its efficiency by providing operational outcomes.