



DANISH EU PRESIDENCY EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- RESULTS AND THE NEXT STEPS

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ADOPTIONS

- Ministers adopted the Joint Report under the Strategic framework for Education and Training (ET 2020)
- The Joint Report establishes a closer link between ET 2020 and the overall Europe 2020 strategy
- The Joint Report sets out the priorities for the new cycle of the Strategic Framework in 2012 - 2014

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POLICY DEBATE

- Inspired by the European Summit, policy debate contributing to the European Council and the European Semester
- **Question:** Which single policy initiative in the field of education and training should be taken in 2012, at national or European level, in order to contribute to tackling the present high levels of youth unemployment and alleviating the social consequences of the crisis for young people?

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SUMMARY OF MINISTERIAL DEBATE

- Review education and training systems in order to ensure that they equip young people with the right skills and competences
- Stronger cooperation between education and training providers, social partners and other relevant stakeholders
- Strengthening the practical elements in education and training programmes by e.g. introducing a dual approach in VET
- Increase the number of internships and traineeships
- Better recognition of skills and competences acquired both through formal and non-formal education and learning

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ERASMUS FOR ALL

- The Danish Presidency aims for a partial general approach on the Presidency compromise draft
- The Commission's proposal has been thoroughly discussed in the Education Committee during the Danish Presidency
- A partial general approach will allow for the incoming Presidencies to have a solid starting point for negotiations both in Council and with the European Parliament

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CONCLUSIONS ON THE EMPLOYABILITY OF GRADUATES

- Adoption of Council conclusions including a European benchmark on the share of employed graduates (20-34 year olds) having left education and training no more than three years before the reference year to be at least 82 % by 2020.
- In 2010 the share of employed graduates was 76,5 %
- Benchmark is part of the ET2020 framework

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- Set-up of an expert group to identify examples of good practise of smooth transition from education and training to the labour market, including how to incorporate more practical elements into education programmes e.g. through dual education
- Enhancing the monitoring of the impact of education and training on the transition to the labour market
- Analysing the quality of the first jobs by matching educational attainment and job content