



## EUNEC-newsletter 10 September 2006

### 1 EUNEC conference 'MoVE-iT' in Brussels (9-10 November 2006)

EUNEC organises on 10 November 2006 a conference '**MoVE-iT**: Obstacles to mobility in VET' in Brussels. EUNEC was asked to participate actively in the debate on the problem of mobility in vocational education and training, starting from a study carried out by Pricewaterhouse Coopers and CINOP.

This is a very important step in the history of EUNEC. The European Commission and the European Parliament have commissioned this study and the contractors of the study are really searching for a platform where they can debate and discuss their findings. This way, EUNEC will be involved in an early stage of policy making and will participate actively in the development of a European policy on **mobility in VET**. It is also the intention that the participating education councils should design well-considered steps or a national/regional action plan for the promotion of mobility in vocational education and training.

You can read more about this project on the website of the project: <http://room.projectcoordinator.net/projectweb/435bc339b0795/Information.html>

All EUNEC members received an invitation for this conference. You can read more about the concept and the programme of this conference on our website: [www.eunec.org](http://www.eunec.org), seminars and conferences. EUNEC members should confirm their participation at last at **27 September**. If you want more information about this conference, you can contact the EUNEC secretariat: [info@eunec.org](mailto:info@eunec.org)

### 2 EUNEC as stakeholder in European Education and Training

EUNEC intends to be an **important stakeholder** in the European Education and Training area. During the last weeks EUNEC participated at

- an informal meeting with the European Commission concerning School Education Policy on September the 11<sup>th</sup> in Brussels
- the launch of the publication of the European Economic and Social Committee 'Living Europe – Dialogue with the Civil Society' with Jan Figel', European Commissioner for Education, Training, Culture and Multilingualism as guest speaker (Brussels, September the 12<sup>th</sup>).

EUNEC is also invited as European stakeholder in Education and Training to a special session of the Education and Training Coordination Group in Brussels on 6 October 2006. The meeting will be dedicated to assessing the progress of Member States in putting in place coherent lifelong learning strategies.

### 3 State of affairs European education policy

It is not always easy to keep up with all the activities in the European education policy. For that reason, the EUNEC secretariat made a new **State of affairs (September 2006)** of all the running processes in the European education policy. You can find this document in annex and on our website ([www.eunec.org](http://www.eunec.org), EUNEC documents). The document of 10 pages contains a treasury of information on:

#### 1. Finnish presidency of the European Union

- 1.1 Main themes
- 1.2 Objectives
- 1.3 Activities

#### 2. Recent documents concerning the European Education and Training Policy

- 2.1 Consultation on the future European credit accumulation and transfer system for vocational education and training (ECVET)
- 2.2 Communication from the Commission on the European Institute of Technology
- 2.3 Resolution of the Council and of the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States, meeting within the Council, on the recognition of the value of non-formal and informal learning within the European youth field
- 2.4 Council conclusions on the European Indicator of Language Competence
- 2.5 Recommendation on the establishment of the European Qualifications Framework for lifelong learning
- 2.6 Communication from the Commission on efficiency and equity in European education and training

### 4 Questions

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