



Description of national context (state of play) in Bulgaria

The Ministry of Education and Science adopted Strategy for Lifelong learning (2014-2020); National Agency for Vocational Education and Training (NAVET) developed the project “New opportunity for my future” – a project related to the process of validation of the results of non-formal education in the field of VET. The main result of the project is a system of validation of competences gained in non – formal and informal learning. Until the end of October 2014 a test period for the system is implemented, free of charge. Bulgaria ranks last on the indicator „participation in LLL-activities of adult population“ among other EU Member States – 1,7% at present. During the last years, the per cent is increased by 0,5% (1,2% in the past) which is relatively fast speed, in comparison with the past. The LLL Strategy aims to reach 5% participation of LLL-activities by 2020.

At present overall system for validation is not existing.

I.MAIN ACTUAL RESULTS

1. ISI started a conversation of synchronization of terminology (a gap is still present); secondly a conversation on the needs of stakeholders has started. ISI was recognized as partner and was invited to join the consultative body for LLL-strategy under the umbrella of ministry of education and science.
2. The National youth forum of Bulgaria developed a statement in June about the validation of NFL and IFL and the quality standards.
3. Acquainting wide audience with key documents: National Strategy for ongoing vocational training 2005-2010; National Strategy for Lifelong Learning 2007-2013; National Strategy for Lifelong Learning 2014-2020, Council Recommendations from 2012 and existing tools such as „Youthpass“ , “The National Program for Youth” etc. - main step of developing educational policy.
4. ISI developed recommendations presented in July to different stakeholders such as Ministry of education, Ministry of Youth and sport, Ministry of labor and social policy etc.
5. ISI launches a lobbying process for developing a network of different stakeholders and implementation of the recommendation of the National event.



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