

## Towards a shared vision of apprenticeships: joint conference of the European social partners

### Agenda

Date: Thursday-Friday 26-27 May 2016

Location: Radisson Blu Royal Hotel, Rue du Fossé-aux-Loups 47, B-1000 Brussels, Belgium

Room : Royal room (plenary) and T'Serclaes (second workshop room)

Thursday 26 May	
12:00	Registration and sandwich lunch
13:00	<p>Welcome &amp; introduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Thiébaut Weber</b>, Confederal Secretary, ETUC</li> <li>• <b>Maxime Cerutti</b>, Director of Social Affairs, BUSINESSEUROPE</li> <li>• <b>Guillaume Afellat</b>, Policy Officer, CEEP</li> <li>• <b>Liliane Volozinskis</b>, Director of Social Affairs and Training Policy, UEAPME</li> </ul>
13:15	<p>Building on project outcomes: work to date</p> <p>Presentation and discussion of ETUC project on a quality framework for apprenticeships and the employers' project on the cost-effectiveness of apprenticeship schemes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Jeff Bridgford</b>, Unionlearn / Kings College London - ETUC project</li> <li>• <b>Alexandra Costa Artur</b> and <b>Keith Brumfitt</b>, Imanovation - Employers' project</li> </ul>
14:15	<p>Panel discussion – practitioners views on necessary elements for a quality apprenticeship scheme</p> <p>Moderated by <b>Liliane Volozinskis</b>, Director of Social Affairs and Training Policy, UEAPME</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Barbara Dorn</b>, German Association of Employers' Confederations, Germany</li> <li>• <b>Matthew Creagh</b>, unionlearn, UK</li> <li>• <b>Peter Zeitler</b>, Wirtschaftskammer, Austria</li> <li>• <b>Ruby Waterworth</b>, European Public Service Union</li> </ul>
15:00	Coffee break



15:30	<p>Parallel workshop discussions - quality</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Trade union and employer representatives discuss the arrangements for <b>apprentices compensation/pay</b> (<i>Royal room</i>)</li> </ol> <p>Moderated by <b>Alexandra Costa Artur</b>, Imanovation</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2) Trade union and employer representatives discuss the <b>learning outcomes and qualifications of apprenticeship training</b> (<i>T'Serclaes room</i>)</li> </ol> <p>Moderated by <b>Jeff Bridgford</b>, Unionlearn / Kings College London</p>
17:00	End of first day
<b>Friday 27 May</b>	
09:00	Registration and welcome coffee
09:30	<p>Panel discussion – practitioners views on necessary elements for a cost-effective apprenticeship scheme</p> <p>Moderated by <b>Thiébaut Weber</b>, Confederal Secretary, ETUC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Hans Ulrich Nordhaus</b>, DGB, Germany</li> <li>• <b>Claudio Biestro</b>, Engineering Ingegneria Informatica Spa, Italy</li> <li>• <b>Rolf Gehring</b>, European Federation of Building and Woodworkers</li> <li>• <b>Graham Lane</b>, CEEP UK</li> </ul>
10:15	Coffee break
10:45	<p>Parallel workshop discussions - effectiveness</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Trade union and employer representatives discuss the factors for a <b>cost-effective apprenticeship scheme</b> (<i>Royal room</i>)</li> </ol> <p>Moderated by <b>Keith Brumfitt</b>, Imanovation</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2) Trade union and employer representatives discuss the factors for enhancing <b>employability of apprentices</b> (<i>T'Serclaes room</i>)</li> </ol> <p>Moderated by <b>Guillaume Afellat</b>, Policy Officer, CEEP</p>
12:15	Reporting from workshops
12:45	<p>Joint video by the European social partners</p> <p>Keynote speech from <b>Marianne Thyssen</b>, European Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs, Skills and Labour Mobility</p>



13:15	Concluding remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Thiébaut Weber</b>, Confederal Secretary, ETUC</li> <li>• <b>Maxime Cerutti</b>, Director of Social Affairs, BUSINESSEUROPE</li> <li>• <b>Guillaume Afellat</b>, Policy Officer, CEEP</li> <li>• <b>Arnold de Boer</b>, Adviser, Social Affairs, UEAPME</li> </ul>
13:30	Lunch

Workshops: The workshops will be organised in parallel in breakout rooms as indicated in the agenda.

Interpretation: The working language of the conference is English. Interpretation will be available into/from French, German, Polish and Spanish in the plenary room (Royal room).

