



**EUROPEAN SECTORAL SOCIAL DIALOGUE IN EDUCATION**  
**Working group meeting: Education in support of employment**

Monday 9 March 2015

**Venue:** Conference Centre Albert Borschette (room 3B)  
Rue Froissart 36, 1040 Brussels, Belgium

**Preparatory meetings – from 09.30 to 10.30**

- Trade Unions: room 3B
- Employers: room 304

**Joint meeting – from 10.30 to 17.00**

**Interpretation:** FR-EN-IT

**Chair:** Michael Moriarty (EFEE)

**Draft Agenda**  
(version 06/03/2015)

10.30	<b>1. Opening of the joint meeting</b> Approval of the draft agenda
	<b>2. Keynote speech: the European Alliance for Apprenticeships</b> What is it? Why is it needed? What has been done so far? What are the pledges about? (Sigve Bjorstad, unit EMPL.C.5 – Vocational training and adult education, European Commission)  <i>Question and answer session and discussion with participants: what is our role as European sectoral social partners in education?</i>

11.00	<p>3. <b>Examples regarding apprenticeships</b>, including the Foundation for cooperation between Vocational Education, Training and Labour Market – SBB</p> <p>Who are the key players? What are their roles? What is their focus? What has been reached? Has the quality of apprenticeships been improved?</p> <p>What is the role of the trade unions (Agnes Roman, ETUCE)?</p> <p>What is role of education employers (representative of MBO Raad, NL – tbc)?</p> <p><i>Questions &amp; answers</i></p>
11.30	<p>4. <b>"Opening up Education": presentation of the work of the ET2020 WG on Digital Learning, with focus on open educational resources, on teachers' and school leaders' ICT competences</b> (Konstantin Scheller, unit EAC.B.3 – Innovation in education, EIT and MSCA, European Commission)</p> <p><i>Followed by discussion on: how can social partners in education support "Opening up Education"?</i></p> <p><b><i>EFEE and ETUCE members are requested to prepare their input by answering the following questions (if possible by providing national examples of good practice and innovative solutions):</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How can we make sure that "Opening up Education" means creating opportunities for schools, teachers and learners to innovate?</li> <li>• How can we contribute to the increased use of Open Educational Resources (OER), ensuring that educational materials produced with public funding are available to all?</li> <li>• How can we improve teachers' skills for a real digital pedagogy?</li> <li>• How can we remove organisational barriers for developing ICT teaching?</li> <li>• How can we remove potential barriers regarding the use of ICT and the use of OER?</li> <li>• Etc.</li> </ul>
12.30	<i>Lunch</i>

14.00	<p><b>5. Supporting a new generation of educators (focus area of Education and Training 2020)</b>  By means of: enhancing the professional profile of teachers, teacher educators and school leaders; effective initial education; early career support, career-long professional learning and development; pedagogical feedback and incentives; stimulating peer learning and learning communities</p> <p><i><b>EFEE and ETUCE members are kindly requested to prepare a 5 minute presentation with an example of good practice (objective: to learn from peers on positive initiatives in EU countries)</b></i></p>
14.45	<i>Coffee break</i>
15.15	<p><b>6. A Pledge for the European Alliance for Apprenticeships</b>  What can we as social partners do? Can we reach a joint pledge? What are the requirements for an effective pledge?</p> <p><i>Discussion guided by ETUCE and EFEE secretariats (breakout session in smaller groups)</i></p>
16.15	<b>7. AOB</b>
16.30	<b>8. Concluding remarks by the chair</b>