

SSD EDUCATION AND TRAINING WG

Joint pledge on the European Alliance for apprenticeships (June 2018)

- Commitment: promote the uptake of quality and effective apprenticeships schemes
 - Increase awareness of the benefits of apprenticeships and work-based learning schemes
 - Promote the new Council Recommendations on quality and effective apprenticeships
 - Making publicity for (national) social partners' initiatives, hence fostering exchange of best practices
 - Continue to promote responsive VET (incl. apprenticeship) within social dialogue structures
 - Explore further ways to create effective and attractive apprenticeship environment in the MET sector
 - Including the apprenticeships topic for discussion in SSD MET Education&Training working group

Presentation of the pledge: joint event of 27 June and Vocational Skills Week (8 November 2018)

Joint event of 27 June and WG of 28 June 2018

- Event- “Future of work: stepping up vocational education and training”
 - Launch of the joint pledge before the Commission
 - Positive and high quality (content) event
 - Good mix of Brussels and concrete (i-e- German) experiences in the area of VET
 - Good iAll-Ceemet cooperation

=> Not much participation – different reasons
- Working Group Meeting – 28 June
 - Discussions on apprenticeships, VET, CET,
 - Presentation by the Commission on (different initiatives) first education package
 - Members’ feedback on the need to further reflect on the metindustry.eu website

=> Here also, low level of participation in the E&T working group meeting

European Vocational Skills Week – Vienna, 5-9 November 2018

- 3rd vocational Skills Week – Vienna 5-9 November 2018
- Social partners joint participation under the work-shop “sector social dialogue”
- Presentation of the joint pledge
- Stressed importance of VET, apprenticeships, dual learning systems: key for a skilled workforce and competitive MET companies
- Skills Week: “best” platform for promotion of social partners initiatives in the area of VET, apprenticeships etc



3. Work-programme for 2019

- European Alliance for apprenticeships: **Joint industriAll E.-Ceemet pledge**
 - Follow-up and report on actions taken to implement the pledge at both European and national level (members)
- **Continuing education and training (CET)**
 - Main topic for discussion at the SSD E&T meeting of 2019,
 - Potentially developing a joint statement
- **Promotion of SD MET on Education & Training issues at events/meetings** organised by 3rd parties, including possible participation as speakers
- **metindustry website**: proposal for revised communication action

Next meeting: Thursday, 27 June 2019