

Theatre technical forum

project 2009

Training Action Plan

The European sectoral social partners live performance, Pearle* and Uni-Mei, have put the training of technicians on the work programme of the social dialogue committee since its inception in 1998. Ten years later, social partners have now taken stock of the developments of training for theatre technicians across Europe.

As a result a report was drafted giving an overview of European initiatives aiming at promoting training, improving mobility, analysing needs for the sector, describing skills and competences for people in the sector and matching training with developments in the sector.

Social partners acknowledge that in a decade the sector has been able to establish a mature know how in the area, in particular as it has taken the European instruments such as the European qualifications framework, as well as other tools such as ECVET or Europass, as a guidance.

Exchange amongst social partner representatives from different EU Member States and training institutes at the Theatre Training Forum in Milan 13-14 March 2009, learned that there is need for further exchange on training practices and competence analysis. The initiatives from the European Commission in the framework of "new skills for new jobs" and the upcoming report on sectoral skills councils, will further guide social partners actions.

In this context, the European social partners, Uni-Mei and Pearle*, recommend following actions :

- proposal to start a third phase of the Leonardo da Vinci funded project towards finalising the process towards a competence analysis tool on theatre technical professions.
- exchange of views on the possible setting up of a communication platform on theatre technical training as suggested in the report on theatre technical training. This would serve as a portal for information to the sector and make available tools developed through European projects.
- Consider setting up a road show visiting different parts of Europe to inform stakeholders on training opportunities and ways to develop training in the sector
- A further exchange on the results of the report to be published in December from the Commission on sectoral skills councils and when considered relevant by social partners an exchange with the Commission.

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