Portuguese trade union actions for VET Teachers and Trainers

Implementing the European Alliance for Apprenticeship

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SINDEP actions on VET and apprenticeship

In Portugal VET is under the jurisdiction of the:

• Institute of Employment and Vocational Training (Ministry of Economy)

  Sindep is represented by the Confederation of the General Workers Union in The Portuguese Economic and Social Committee

• Ministry of Education and Science.

  Sindep has got a negotiating table
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Institute of Employment and Vocational Training

- Sindep negotiated with both the Ministry of Economy and Employment [MEE] and the Ministry of Education and Science [MES] the possibility for tenured teachers to teach the sociocultural subjects in the two Vocational Education and Training Programmes – The Learning programme and the Training systems for youngsters.

- Teachers are regulated by the Career Status and maintain the same “benefits”.
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Institute of Employment and Vocational Training [IEVT]

THE LEARNING PROGRAMME

- There is a monitoring Commission:
  - 2 reps. of the IEVT appointed by the Social Partners in the Standing Commission for Social Dialogue
  - a repres. from the [MES];
  - a repres. from the National Agency for Qualification and Vocational Education and Training;
  - two important people in the filed of vocational education and employment

SINDEP is not (directly) represented
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TRAINING SYSTEMS FOR YOUNGSTERS

- There is a board that takes part in the final practice Aptitude Test made up of:
  - the course coordinator;
  - a teacher/trainer, the one that was in touch during the training period;
  - a representative of the business organizations that represents the employer and employee confederations in the Economic and Social Committee;

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SINDEP opinion on European Alliance for Apprenticeship

- Portugal is committed to the Alliance, the thing is that there is a disagreement between the Ministry of Education and Science and the Ministry of Economy and Employment concerning the Education and Training Funding!
Social Dialogue on apprenticeship

Ministry of Education and Science [MES]

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION FOR YOUNGSTERS 13 YEARS OLD

- These courses take place at the public schools and there will be partnerships among the Regional Education Directions, the amalgamated schools and the companies, institutions located in the geographical area.

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Ministry of Education and Science [MES]

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION FOR YOUNGSTERS 18 YEARS OLD

- There will be protocols between the companies or institutions and the amalgamated schools that offer the students simulated practice as well as the teaching of some of the vocational units.

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