



October 7, Riga, Latvia

Tallink Hotel Latvia, Elizabetes street 24, Riga

International Conference

VET -Enterprise Cooperation for High Quality og Work-Based Learning (WBL)

The Conference will focus on 1) WBL systems in EU countries and key elements; 2) training options for VET and enterprise tutors supervising WBL; 3) results of Q-Placements project.

The Conference is aimed at representatives of VET systems: schools and enterprises interested in quality of WBL, VET stakeholders, VET decision- and policy makers.

Language: English

9.30-10.00	Registration	
	Plenary Session	Aija Tūna, Moderator
10.00-10.10	Welcome Address	LCCI
10.10-10.30	Introducing WBL in Latvia	Ministry of Education and Science
10.30-10.40	Why Cooperation is important for enterprises and what they can do to support WBL; Challenges	Jānis Atslens, Expert of the Policy Department, LCCI
10.40-11.00	Quality of VET and WBL; Applying EQAVET for WBL	Andra Šenberga, State Education Quality Service, Latvia
11.00-11.20	“The cost-effectiveness of apprenticeship schemes: what is the return on investments?”	Manfred Polzin, MBO Raad, Association of VET Colleges
11.20-11.35	Q-Placements Project Results	V.Žunda, QP Project Manager
11.35 – 11.55	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
11.55-12.50	Panel Session 1: Organization of WBL in Different EU Countries, Key Elements for Quality of WBL; Main Stakeholders	
10 minutes	Key note: “VET For Employment”	Andris Sekacis, MASOC
	Representatives of 6 countries: WBL in Germany ; WBL in the Netherlands ; WBL/Apprenticeships in Slovenia ; WBL in Spain (Catalonia) ; WBL in Finland ; WBL in Latvia	40 minutes (5-7 minutes each country)
12.50-13.00	Summary; Q&A	Aija Tūna, Moderator
13.00-14.00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14.00-15.00	Panel Session 2: Training Programmes for VET and Enterprise Tutors Supervising Apprenticeships	
20 minutes	Key Note: Q-Placements Training Programme and Guidelines Train-the-Trainer for WBL	VISC: Guntra Kaufmane Diāna Krastiņa, German-Baltic Chamber of Commerce
	Representatives of 6 countries: Sharing Experience of Training of VET and Enterprise Tutors to Ensure the Quality of Apprenticeships: Germany, the Netherlands, Slovenia, Spain (Catalonia), Finland, Latvia	5 minutes each country
15.00-15.10	Summary; Q&A	Aija Tūna, Moderator
15.10 -15.45	Conclusions, Finalizing Conference	Aija Tūna, Moderator