







Recent European social dialogue developments

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Outline

- I. Autonomous work programme
- II. Integrated projects
- III. Framework of Actions on Youth Employment

I. Autonomous work programme

Working period: 2015-2017

"Partnership for inclusive growth and employment"

- Contribute autonomously to policies affecting directly or indirectly employment and labour markets
- Foster and strengthen the development of autonomous social dialogue across European countries
- Act at bipartite and tripartite levels, taking possible European Commission upcoming proposals and initiatives as basis
- Develop social partners' role in the process of the European Semester





I. Autonomous work programme

Ongoing activities:

- Fostering active ageing in an inter-generational approach
- Mobility and migration
- Investment package and strengthening the industrial base in Europe
- Skills needs in digital economies
- Committing to promote capacity building and better implementation outcomes

• Foreseen:

- Promoting better reconciliation and gender equality to reduce the gender pay gap
- Active labour market policies





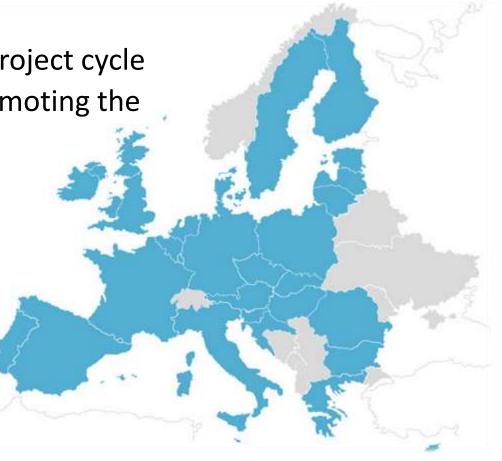
• Ongoing: 2014-2016

• Today's conference marks the end of this project cycle

 Four decentralised cluster seminars on promoting the European social dialogue organised
 Finland, France, Greece and Poland

• One seminar for candidate countries Serbia

One seminar on ESF for capacity building
 Latvia



- Ongoing: 2014-2016
 - Separate trade unions and employers research projects on apprenticeship, including separate cluster seminars and conferences, final joint conference, and experts reports

"A European Quality Framework for Apprenticeships" (ETUC)

"The Cost Effectiveness of Apprenticeship Schemes" (BUSINESSEUROPE, CEEP, UEAPME and other partners)







- Foreseen: 2016-2018
 - Application sent to the European Commission
 - Three cluster seminars on reinforcing European social dialogue and industrial relations
 - One seminar for candidate countries on training / mentoring / capacity building
 - Two cluster seminars on social partners' involvement in economic governance
 - One conference on promoting and reinforcing EU social dialogue

- Foreseen: 2016-2018
 - One conference on youth employment Framework of Actions
 - One fact-finding seminar on digitalisation
 - Thematic research on employee training and fostering the social partnership approach for skills development at all levels

Expertise work, cluster seminars, final conference, report

 Thematic research on the use of the ESF for supporting social dialogue at national, regional and local levels

Expertise work, cluster seminars, final conference, report

III. Framework of Actions on Youth Employment

- Urgency of the situation
- Priority in our work programme 2012-14
- Long-term / Short-term approach
- Four priorities addressed:
 - Learning
 - Transition
 - Employment
 - Entrepreneurship
- Social partners actions
- Recommendations
- Dissemination



III. Framework of Actions on Youth Employment

• Translated into 10 languages: CZ, DE, DK, FR, HR, HU, IT, LV, PL, SE

1st follow-up report adopted Sept. 2014

✓ Follow-up reports submitted by 17 MS out of 28

✓ Several approaches: all priorities at once, one at a time, only some

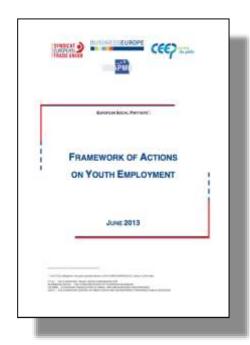
2nd follow-up report adopted Sept. 2015

- ✓ Follow-up reports submitted by 21 MS out of 28
- ✓ Collective agreements used to find solutions
- ✓ Sectoral approach in apprenticeships and VET
- ✓ Regional approach characterising intervention
- ✓ Macro-economic situation continues to pose challenges
- ✓ Role of European funding opportunities



III. Framework of Actions on Youth Employment

- 3rd follow-up report expected in September 2016
- Based on joint national inputs
 - Recent developments should be included
 - in relation with content of the text
- Call for input Objective: 28 countries covered
- 2017: conference to prepare for the final evaluation report



Questions?