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**Operational conclusions
33rd Meeting of the Heads of PES
16-17 December 2014, Vilnius, Lithuania**

ITEM 2. Follow up to extraordinary meeting of Heads of PES in Paris

The network agreed to monitor the implementation of the PES-relevant parts of the Youths Guarantees in 2014. The monitoring will include:

1. An update of the PES Business Model study plus country fiches in 2014 including a specific youth module
2. Continued self-assessment of PES capacities to implement the Youth Guarantee with a focus on PES core activities.
3. Monitoring of PES measures indicated in the HoPES Catalogue of Measures and indication of other new measures and successful practices for implementation of the Youth Guarantee not listed in the catalogue.

In order to continue the exchange on good practices to implement the Youth Guarantee the network agreed to the organisation of 3 workshops in first half of 2014 (workshops only in EN for up to 25 people).

1. Stakeholder management schemes to address labour market integration of NEETs
2. Multi-subject with 10-12 evidence-based Youth practices
3. Mobility of young persons into apprenticeships – which role for the PES/EURES?" (in cooperation with Arbetsförmedlingen Sweden)

In view of the limited responses received so far for requests/offers for twinning projects between individual PES with study visits, training of PES staff or even temporary exchange of staff the deadline was extended until 31 January 2014 (see as well operational conclusions of the Heads of PES meeting in Paris on 12 November 2013). Emails to EMPL-C3-UNIT@ec.europa.eu

ITEM 3: Legislative proposal by COM: Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on enhanced cooperation between PES

COM informed about the state of play of the legislative proposal. Three trilogue meetings between European Parliament (EP), Council and Commission are scheduled in January 2014. The main differences in the positions of the EP and Council relate to the questions of the mandatory/voluntary participation in the network, the use of Delegated Acts, the introduction of the areas of benchmarking in the main legal act, the introduction of an additional legal base and the objectives of the network.

ITEM 4. Transition from 'old' to 'new' network – discussion on draft rules for procedures

COM presented the draft rules of procedures. PES are invited to provide detailed comments no later than 31 January 2014 to EMPL-C3-UNIT@ec.europa.eu

COM will then prepare a new draft for the meeting of the PES Assistants with the objective to agree on a text that could be presented for adoption to the Heads of PES at their June meeting.

ITEM 5. Progress report by PES Working Group Benchmarking/Mutual Learning

The chair of the Working Group - Bundesagentur für Arbeit - presented the progress report which was endorsed by the network. The updated mandate of the working group was approved by the PES network as part of the PES network work programme. The network suggested looking into possibilities of considering data mining and cost-benefit analysis as elements of the benchmarking.

ITEM 6. Adoption of PES network work programme 2014

The Heads of PES adopted the PES network work programme 2014.

ITEM 7. PES Working Group Europe 2020: HoPES assessment report on PES capacities to implement the PES strategy EU 2020

The chair of the Working Group –VDAB - reported on the main results of the self-assessment which has been developed to allow each PES to assess where it stands with regard to the implementation of the PES Europe 2020 strategy. The PES 2020 action plan that addresses the common shortcomings and fields for actions from the PES self-assessment has been approved by the PES network as part of the PES network work programme 2014 and will be implemented in 2014/2015. In mid-2014 a handbook on how to implement the PES strategy EU 2020 will be presented by VDAB and the University of Leuven.

The main elements of the PES strategy EU 2020 will be integrated in the PES Benchmarking methodology.

ITEM 8. ESCO – European Skills, Competences, Qualifications and Occupations

The chair of the ESCO Board presented ESCO; more details on ESCO can be found on <http://ec.europa.eu/esco>

An ESCO pilot phase consisting of several PES mapping their classifications to ESCO will be launched in 2014 in order to assess what level of semantic interoperability can be reached by mapping to ESCO, better understand and quantify potential benefits, identify best practices for the creation of mappings and assess effort/costs for creating and updating mappings in further detail. PES are invited to express their interest in participating in this pilot phase by sending an email to: EMPL-ESCO-SECRETARIAT@ec.europa.eu

ITEM 10: Workshops

The reports of the workshops "Addressing the efficiency challenge" and "How do PES use labour market information?" will be prepared by the respective chairs/co-chairs and circulated to the network.

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The forthcoming EL EU Presidency informed that the next Heads of PES meeting will take place on 12-13 June 2014 in Athens, Greece.
