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**PARES: Benchmarking between Employment Services**

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BENCHMARKING EMPLOYMENT SERVICES' CONTRIBUTION TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE YOUTH GUARANTEE	277 585.79	79.97	VP/2013/016/0109

**Summary of the action**

The project aims at benchmarking employment services' contributions to the implementation of the YG in 3 Member States, with one non-Member States serving as a counterfactual test for the findings. Five main tasks will be performed to this end: (1) comparative analysis of Public Employment Services' (PES) roles in YG implementation plans; (2) definition of a common set of quantitative/qualitative indicators for benchmarking; (3) data collection, qualitative field analysis, setting up of a database; (4) data analysis; (5) identification of best practices, lessons learned and policy pointers; (6) dissemination of outcomes and results, which will involve regular meetings with the project partners and a final conference.

Initial project activities will focus on understanding the current "state of play" in each participating countries in terms of broad institutional capacities, labour market conditions and status of the YG implementation schemes and partnerships with public and private bodies forged by the PES. Once this has been achieved, it will be possible to identify areas of overlap in the activities of PES in the participating countries. Once a precise picture of individual PES roles and an assessment of common roles and actions has been drawn up, the attention of the project will be devoted to the development of a list of indicators which point to variations in the main field of actions and which are expected to vary on the basis of YG implementation. Then the study will branch out into two main areas of activities, namely data collection and data analysis. These will be performed throughout most of the project duration. Data will be stored in a time-series database and fed into the indicators. The analysis of the indicators will make it possible to evaluate the effectiveness of the YG implementation strategies and to draw up a list of lessons learned, policy pointers and best practices

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