1. THE MOST IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Q85. In your opinion, which of the following are the most important aspects of education?

- The teacher’s ability to engage and motivate the students: 65% EU28, 69% EL
- The teacher’s expertise or subject knowledge: 40% EU28, 50% EL
- Learning environments that stimulate students’ creativity and curiosity: 39% EU28, 43% EL
- Practical work experience with a company or organisation: 31% EU28, 31% EL
- The teacher’s ability to ensure an orderly learning environment: 24% EU28, 35% EL
- Learning methods that use computers, the Internet or digital content: 20% EU28, 25% EL
- Learning environments that encourage social and cultural diversity: 16% EU28, 16% EL
- Periods of study abroad or exchanges with students from other countries: 15% EU28, 13% EL

Other (SPONTANEOUS): EU28 1%, EL 1%

Don’t know: EU28 2%, EL 1%

(Max. 3 answers)

2. AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT

Q86. In your opinion, which of these aspects need to be improved the most in (OUR COUNTRY)?

- The teacher’s ability to engage and motivate the students: 51% EU28, 62% EL
- Learning environments that stimulate students’ creativity and curiosity: 41% EU28, 49% EL
- Practical work experience with a company or organisation: 37% EU28, 46% EL
- The teacher’s expertise or subject knowledge: 31% EU28, 39% EL
- The teacher’s ability to ensure an orderly learning environment: 28% EU28, 47% EL
- Learning methods that use computers, the Internet or digital content: 26% EU28, 47% EL
- Learning environments that encourage social and cultural diversity: 26% EU28, 33% EL
- Periods of study abroad or exchanges with students from other countries: 24% EU28, 28% EL

Other (SPONTANEOUS): EU28 2%, EL 2%

None (SPONTANEOUS): EU28 1%, EL 0%

Don’t know: EU28 1%, EL 5%
3. STUDYING OR WORKING ABROAD (1/2)

QB10. Have you ever spent time in another EU Member State or outside of the EU...?

- Working
  - EU28: 80% Recognised, 6% Not recognised
  - EL: 90% Recognised, 0% Not recognised
- Studying
  - EU28: 87% Recognised, 5% Not recognised
  - EL: 90% Recognised, 0% Not recognised
- On a traineeship or internship
  - EU28: 89% Recognised, 5% Not recognised
  - EL: 94% Recognised, 0% Not recognised

(Multiple answers possible)

QB12. To what extent do you think the following experiences would be recognised within (OUR COUNTRY)?

- Studying in another EU Member State
  - EU28: 26% Completely recognised, 40% Largely recognised, 32% Recognised to some extent, 19% Not recognised, 6% Don't know
  - EL: 34% Completely recognised, 38% Largely recognised, 20% Recognised to some extent, 7% Not recognised, 6% Don't know

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3. STUDYING OR WORKING ABROAD (2/2)

QB9. Do you think that qualifications from your education or training would be recognised in other EU Member States?

- Yes: 49%
- No: 30%
- Not applicable: 16%
- Don't know: 10%

QB13. Have you ever tried to work or study in another EU Member State, including remote working and distance learning from (OUR COUNTRY) and not been able to do so?

- Yes, tried to work in another EU Member State: 4%
- Yes, tried to study in another EU Member State: 2%
- No: 95%
- Don't know: 0%

QB14. Which difficulties related to your qualifications did you experience?*

- You did not have enough information on whether your qualifications would be recognised in another EU Member State: 17%
- You did not have enough information on opportunities for grants and scholarships: 16%
- Your qualifications were not accepted by prospective employer: 12%
- Your qualifications were not recognised by educational institution: 8%
- Other (SPONTANEOUS): 15%
- None (SPONTANEOUS): 35%
- Don't know: 2%

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4. USE OF CAREER GUIDANCE SERVICES AND DOCUMENTATION OF SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS

QB18. Have you ever used a career guidance service?

- Yes: 24%
- No, you have never had access to a career guidance service: 29%
- No, for another reason: 26%
- Don't know: 14%

QB16. In [OUR COUNTRY], do you think that a combination of skills or competences acquired in different ways (e.g. through education, vocational education and training and work experiences) can be used to obtain a qualification?

- Yes: 69%
- No: 13%
- Don't know: 9%

5. AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION

QB22. How easy or difficult was it to find the information that you needed?*

- Study or career guidance: 20% very easy, 19% quite easy, 53% fairly difficult, 16% very difficult, 3% don't know
- Education or training courses: 20% very easy, 25% quite easy, 54% fairly difficult, 18% very difficult, 3% don't know
- Internships, traineeships or apprenticeships: 19% very easy, 22% quite easy, 46% fairly difficult, 27% very difficult, 3% don't know
- Whether your skills or qualifications would be recognised in other EU Member States: 18% very easy, 30% quite easy, 38% fairly difficult, 29% very difficult, 10% don't know

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