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European Validation Festival

14-15 June 2018, The Egg, Brussels

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Open Marketplace and Thematic Workshops

Time	Activity
08.30 – 09.30	Opening of registrations and welcome coffee
09.30 – 09.45	Welcome and introduction: Setting the scene for the pitches of the stands on the marketplace <i>Alison CRABB, Head of Unit Skills and Qualifications, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, European Commission</i> <i>Martin WATSON, Senior Consultant, Prospex</i> <i>Ernesto VILLALBA-GARCIA, Expert, Department for Learning and Employability, Cedefop</i>
09.45 – 12.45	Mutual Peer Learning on the marketplace <i>Stands will have the opportunity to pitch their project/work on the main stage</i> <i>Animated by Martin WATSON</i>
12.45 – 14.30	Lunch and visiting the marketplace
14.30 – 16.00	Thematic Workshops – Round I
	Workshop 1: Validation in Upskilling Pathways: Giving low-skilled adults new opportunities
	Workshop 2: The Youthpass experience: How to take the validation of non-formal and informal learning to a new level
	Workshop 3: Developing validation in the workplace in cooperation with employers
	Workshop 4: (Self-) assessing vocational skills using my-professional-experience.org , MYSKILLS and Skilllab
	Workshop 5: Validation and Blockchain: Challenges and opportunities
	Workshop 6: Qualification frameworks and validation of non-formal and informal learning



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16.00 – 16.30	Coffee break and visiting the marketplace
16.30 – 18.00	Thematic Workshops – Round II
	Workshop 7: Supporting the employability of migrants and refugees through validation
	Workshop 8: Encouraging solidarity activities and the validation of learning outcomes through an enabling policy environment
	Workshop 9: Funding models for validation: Bridging employers with other stakeholders
	Workshop 10: Making transversal skills visible using Competence Cards and PIAAC tests
	Workshop 11: E-portfolios and Open Badges: Methods to support validation
	Workshop 12: Supporting the learner: Connecting validation and guidance
	<i>During Day 1 participants will have the opportunity to propose messages and questions regarding validation practices in Europe on a large WALL OF QUESTIONS moderated by the Lifelong Learning Platform. This will provide input to the panels of Day 2.</i>
18.00 – 20.00	Networking cocktail and buffet



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Policy Forum: Unlocking Talent - The Role of Validation of Non-Formal and Informal Learning

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08.30 – 09.30	Registrations and welcome coffee
09.30 – 10.00	Unlocking talent: the case for validation of prior learning <i>Marianne THYSSEN, Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs, Skills and Labour Mobility, European Commission</i> <i>Message from the Bulgarian Presidency of the Council of the European Union</i>
10.00 – 10.30	Validation: Where are we now? <i>Scene setting interview with European Commission and Cedefop</i> <i>Video on validation of non-formal and informal learning</i>
10.30 – 11.00	Spotlight: Why validation of prior learning matters <i>David RIVOIRE, President, VAE Les 2 Rives</i>
11.00 – 11.30	Coffee break and visiting the marketplace
11.30 – 12.15	Panel 1: The learner at the centre: Validation stories <i>Efrem GEBREAB MEBRAHTU, Activities counsellor, Dutch Council for Refugees</i> <i>Petra VUKAS, Youth worker and Youthpass award winner</i> <i>Mary JENSON, The InnoPharma learner experience, Ireland</i> <i>Angélique VAN OOTEGHEM, Forklift driver and Tutor</i>
12.15 – 12.45	Spotlight: Putting talent to work through validation <i>Laure JOACHIM, Head of Group's 'Associate Employability' Unit, Adecco Group</i>



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12.45 – 13.30	Panel 2: Multi-stakeholder commitment: A condition for success for validation <i>Tibor Bors BORBELY-PECZE Ph.D, Employment Counsellor, Ministry of Finance, Hungary</i> <i>Anna KAHLSON, Senior Advisor, The Swedish National Agency for Higher Vocational Education</i> <i>Margit RAMMO, Head of the Estonian National Resource Centre for Guidance, Foundation Innove</i> <i>Tormod SKJERVE, Social partner representative, Virke - The Federation Of Norwegian Enterprises</i> <i>Noelia CANTERO GONZALVEZ, EARLALL Business Manager - European Association of Regional & Local Authorities for Lifelong Learning</i>
13:30 – 13:45	Closing remarks <i>European Commission</i>
13.45 – 15.00	Lunch