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Lifelong Learning Strategies for 2020

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EU approach to lifelong learning

- 1996: European Year of Lifelong Learning
- 2000: Lisbon Strategy and Memorandum on LLL
- 2001: Commission Communication; E&T2010 Work Programme
- 2002: Council Resolution on LLL
- 2009: Strategic framework for European co-operation in education and training « ET 2020 » – **LLL is key priority**
- 2010: LLL in the future EU 2020 strategy



What are the features of a coherent and comprehensive lifelong learning strategy?

- Covers all systems and levels (“from cradle to grave”)
- Coherent set of priorities, evidence-based
- Flexible pathways and transition points: avoid dead-ends
- Implementation and dissemination: partnership with stakeholders

MS agreed to put in place such strategies by 2006!



Lifelong learning: where do we stand?



Progress:

- Lifelong learning concept established among policy makers
- Establishment of EQF/NQFs
- Learning outcomes orientation, validation of learning
- Lifelong guidance

Source: 2010 joint progress report of the Council and the Commission on the implementation of the work programme Education and Training 2010



LLL strategies: where do we stand?



- A number of countries have **overarching LLL strategies**, i.e. a document that is relevant for policy making and associated to a budget, agreed with stakeholders
- Some have a LLL document with a **strong sectoral focus** or which lacks **relevance**
- A number have **policies and sectoral strategies covering all areas**, without being based on a single strategy document

Source: Analysis of implementation 2009 - Annex to Draft Joint Progress Report 2010



LLL strategies: persisting challenges

- **Agreed** strategies that cover **all levels** of education and training **and all forms** of learning
- Effective **stakeholder** coordination/involvement
- Coherent **financing** arrangements
- Involvement of **regional** and **local** level
- Linking the worlds of **education, work, youth, social affairs**, etc.
- **Equity gap** in participation and outcomes



Implementation of LLL strategies under the strategic framework ET 2020

Focus on:

- Promote **implementation of LLL strategies/policies** at the **national/regional/local level** to increase impact and direct benefits for individuals
- Continue work on: EQF/NQFs; flexible learning pathways/transitions; validation of non formal/informal learning; quality of guidance systems
- Give new impetus to LLL debate through EU policy action and financial support
- Contribute to implementation of EU 2020 strategy



DG EAC's activities 2010



- Promote **peer learning** on LLL between Member States
 - report on critical factors for LLL
 - dissemination of examples of good practice
 - peer learning seminar
- Financial support through LLP for **awareness raising** on LLL and **policy cooperation** between MS (including national/regional/local actors)
 - creation of networks and discussion fora
 - knowledge transfer, exchange of good practice

