CHAIN5

UPDATE

State of play for level 5

- More attention
- Role of CHAIN5
- SCHE in the EHEA
- Follow-up CEDEFOP study

Attention for level 5

- Hot issue in Europe...
- Still a need for higher skilled people (is the expectation...)
- Look at the priorities in Erasmus+
 - progress
 - transition from VET to HE
 - higher VET levels
- VET4EU2 as a platform for VET and HE

Attention for level 5

- Request:
- Take a paper
- Write down: A good example of growing attention for qualifications on level 5 (EQF) in your country, region or institution
- ▶ If there is no good news.... Sorry for that...

Role of CHAIN5

- The network is accepted... and well-known... in some areas...
- Having no project under Erasmus+ is a pity... giving the network a kind of status...
- But: on board at:
 - EURASHE
 - DG EAC / DG EMPL

Role of CHAIN5

EURASHE

- status = level 6 and higher
- but HVET and SCHE have to be combined
- need for discussions about VET-6, 7...
- employability is important
- SCHE is offered by a lot of members
 So: find the link ;-)....

DG EMPL

- accepted in discussions and meetings
- VET4EU2 = including CHAIN5
- research on HVET
- tomorrow more about this...

SCHE and the EHEA

- History of Short Cycle in Higher Education
- Bergen (2005)
 - intermediate qualification
 - on voluntary basis in HE
 - linked to or within the first cycle (Bachelor)
- Next ministerial meetings (HE)
 - more attention
 - more higher skilled people
 - more permeability between VET and HE
 - use the overlap between VET and HE at level 5

SCHE and the EHEA

- ▶ 2011: Recommendation for including SCHE in HE
- **2015**:
 - ministerial meeting in May
 - in Yerevan
 - proposal: Short Cycle as regular level
- four cycles, with Dublin Descriptor
 - just for the EHEA

SCHE and the EHEA

- So we have...
- Third Cycle = Doctorate
- Second Cycle = Master
- First Cycle = Bachelor
- Discussion in your group:

Name for the Short Cycle?

EURASHE and **SCHE**

- Name: Associate
- New set Dublin Descriptors
- Based on a combination of HVET and SCHE
- More focus on the labour market...

CEDEFOP STUDY ON level 5 CEDEFOP STUDY ON LEVEL 5

- Published in 2014 (study has been done in 2013)
- Some seminars and workshops
- No follow-up
- Initiative by DG EMPL/C5: study on the role and position of HVET in the higher education area

Follow-up

- Follow-up by CHAIN5?
- Good idea? How to do that?
- Tomorrow a discussion about this how, who, when...
- Using the CHAIN5 network

Conclusions

- There is 'room in the discussions' for CHAIN5
- CHAIN5 can play the role of 'linking pin' for associations in VET and HE
- And also for connecting EQF and EHEA (HVET and SCHE, using similar instruments for the programmes)
- Work enough to be done...