

Existing national arrangements for quality assurance in VET

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VET system in Republic of Moldova

First level. Secondary vocational education: vocational and trade school (66 institutions)

- This level ensures the vocational training for graduates from gymnasium, general schools and lyceums for the training of qualified workers for Moldova's national economy;
- The duration of education for the gymnasium graduates is 3 years while for general schools and lyceums graduates is 1 year;
- There are 19,58 thousand pupils studying in these institutions.

VET system in Republic of Moldova

Second level. Postsecondary vocational education: colleges (47 institutions)

- This level ensures the training of specialized staff with applicative skills (technicians, technicians-technologists, bookkeeper, economists, medical workers, art, music specialists etc) for the national economy and social sector;
- Educational programs correspond to level 4 of (ISCED-1997) and provides gymnasium graduates with general education with the possibility to get the bachelor's degree, as well as with the vocational education in a period of 4-5 years, holders of general education certificates or bachelor's diploma study in 2-3 years;
- The number of students in these institutions is 30,7 thousands.

The main problems of VET system in quality assurance

- Inexistence of a modern national quality assurance system;
- Lack of National Qualification Framework for the secondary vocational and postsecondary education trades;
- Lack of Occupational Standards at the national level;
- Curricula in the secondary vocational education not adjusted to modern requirements;
- Inefficiency of the developing and publishing system of teaching materials in the secondary vocational education;

Strategical vision on quality assurance in VET

Vocational Education and Training Development Strategy for 2013-2020 (1):

Specific objective no 3: Increase the quality of the VET by improving the efficiency of the utilization of financial means and by the creating and implementing the quality assurance system, so that, by 2017 to have a functional entity for the assessment and accreditation of these institutions;

Strategical vision on quality assurance in VET

Vocational Education and Training Development Strategy for 2013-2020 (2):

- Establish and strengthen the quality assessment and assurance structure in the VET;
- Adjust quality standards/norms in the VET to European educational standards
- Develop a quality management in the VET

Main actions in quality assurance in VET

Action Plan for VET Strategy 2013-2020 (1):

- Create an accreditation and quality assurance structure in the VET, within National Agency for Quality Assurance;
- Develop quality assessment indicators and criteria in the VET;
- Recruit staff, professional development, capacity building;

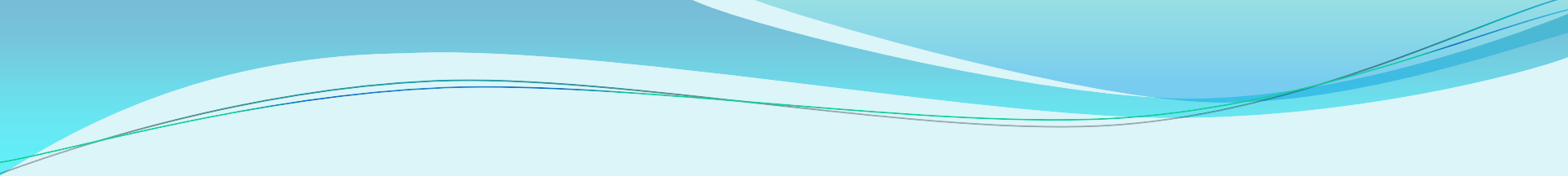
Main actions in quality assurance in VET

Action Plan for VET Strategy 2013-2020 (2):

- Identify and form groups of relevant experts for quality assurance in the VET;
- Train teaching and managerial staff in the VET institutions on the quality management
- Carry out accreditation and quality assurance missions

Main support in quality assurance reform in VET

- ***Budget Support Program from European Union:***
support to the implementation of the Vocational Education Strategy of Moldova: 25 mln euros;
- **Technical Assistance Project** "Support for the vocational education and training sector": 5 mln. euros



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