
**UNEVOC international experts consultation:
Stimulating networking and capacity building within the UNEVOC Network
through enhanced North- South collaboration.
Venue: Dublin Institute of Technology, Dublin, Ireland.
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UNESCO-UNEVOC International Centre for Technical and Vocational Education and Training, Bonn, Germany and the Dublin Institute of Technology, National UNEVOC Centre for Ireland, are jointly organising an international experts consultation on networking and capacity building in the area of technical and vocational education and training (TVET). The event is organised in partnership with InWent (Capacity Building International, Germany). The consultation is designed to stimulate networking and capacity building within the UNEVOC Network by raising the awareness of the needs, interests and strengths of various UNEVOC Centres in the North and in the South. Awareness of capacity to innovate TVET will also be increased. With reference to capacity building the consultation will help to garner information for a TVET Academy on which UNESCO-UNEVOC International Centre and InWent are consulting.

Consultation: Nature, Process and Target

The experts consultation will comprise presentations, analyses of interests, and attempts at grouping in the network by interests, needs, specialisation and focuses. Participatory in methodology the consultation will attend to its tasks in plenary sessions, simultaneous sessions and general and group discussions. Participants will be made up of TVET practitioners from UNEVOC Centres in the North and South.

Purpose and outcomes

The experts consultation meeting would provide the participants with an opportunity to expand knowledge and skills about networking and to learn about interests, needs and capabilities within the UNEVOC Network. The main purpose of the consultation is to stimulate networking, to develop capacity and to increase access to learning resources within the UNEVOC Network. Various outcomes will be expected, including increased local and national UNEVOC Centre effectiveness, enhanced capacity for networking, better knowledge and understanding of interests and capabilities, enhanced chances for mutual learning, and increased chances and ability for international cooperation and collaboration.

Participants and Funding

The participants would be drawn from UNEVOC Centres around the world. As funding is limited, experts from UNEVOC Centres in developed countries are expected to fund their own travel expenses. UNESCO-UNEVOC International Centre would be able to sponsor selected experts from UNEVOC Centres in developing countries. There is no registration fee.

Inquiries

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