



Newsletter European Educational Policy

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NEW CALLS

- Award of grants for actions to [develop and test the European Qualifications Framework \(EQF\)](#), including national and sectoral qualifications frameworks. Deadline: 31/8/07
- [Youth for Action. Pilot Projects](#) on Thematic Networking. Deadline 1/9/07.

RECOMMENDATIONS & RESOLUTIONS or PREPARATORY COMMUNICATIONS:

- On the May congress about the Bologna process the [Bologna Follow Up Group](#) is asked to analyse the problems (further international tuning) and work out an action plan for 2009.
- [Jan Figel](#) has stated on the Conference of CEDEFOP about European VET his **priorities**:
 - Fast handling of EQF under Portuguese chairmanship.
 - Slower process with adequate thinking about ECVET, the EC has undervalued the potential broaden usage of ECVET.
 - The work out of key competences in general, especially of entrepreneurship.

AGENDA

- 18 June, **EPCoCu&Ed**, extraordinary meeting, 21.00-22.30. [Agenda](#): EIT (Eur. Inst. of Technology), soft law, gender equality EU 2007. The individual contact data of your representative are quite easy to find. See for your country [representative member](#).
- 25 & 26 June, regular meeting EPCoCu&Ed. [Agenda](#) unknown.
- 2-4 Sep, Cairo, 6th International [Internet Education Conference](#) (ICT Learn 2007)
- 9-13 July. [International conference of Alliance for Childhood 2007](#), Sao Paulo, Brazil.

NEWS

- [Young Europeans demand recognition of non-formal education](#), as complementary to formal education in their declaration for the future of EU. The American author Jeremy Rifkin supports the demand saying "this is a revolutionary part of your document!, bringing together formal and non-formal education".
- [Lifelong Learning Awards 2007](#), from the award ceremony held in Berlin on 6 - 7 May.
- [Calendar of Portuguese Presidency second half 2007 is online](#).
- Post open as [Secretary General](#) of the European Associates for the Education of Adults.
- Alliance for Childhood has spoken with MEP Karin Resetaris (Austria).

NEW REPORTS/RESEARCH

- **Unicef** report [assesses well-being of children in industrialised countries](#) for the first time. The report assesses children and young people in 21 industrialised countries along material well-being, health and safety, educational well being, children's relationship, behaviours and risks, subjective assessments & well being. [UK Comment](#).
- The European Commission has published an overview of the [supported projects in member states under the Grundtvig Programme](#) ([Grundtvig](#), European cooperation in adult education) and [others, like Comenius](#).
- Results of a new [Eurobarometer survey on youth](#), with figures and background info.
- Euridice Publication about [National trends of higher education in the Bologna Process](#).
- Goldsmiths of the University of London has published a [research](#) in command of the Economic and Social Research Council ([ESRC](#)) about **multiple languages**. The research states that bilingual education supports the cognitive development and identity of children.
- The **Unesco** has opened a [open training platform](#), to provide users with training and capacity building resources on literacy and other subjects, with sharing training material.