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### NEW CALLS

- Call for Projects [to test and develop the credit system for vocational education and training \(ECVET\)](#), regarding partnerships and experimental measures to target groups. D 13-8-08.
- Award of [grants for actions to develop and implement the EQF](#), including national and sectoral qualifications frameworks. D 13-8-08.
- [Networking of existing structures supporting mobility in different cultural sectors](#), like overcoming of cultural workers to educate in vocational training. D 30-9-08.
- Tender: [Progress in higher education reform: Bologna Process and Lisbon Strategy](#), D 7-8-08.

### NEWS

- The EC published a green paper on [Migration & Mobility: challenges and opportunities for EU education systems](#), as part of the **Renewed Social Agenda** to reinforce Access, Opportunities and Solidarity among EU citizens. The EC wants to open the debate on how education policies may better address the challenges posed by immigration and internal EU mobility flows.
- New consultation of the EC: [Migration & challenges for education systems](#), D31-12-08
- The EC [summary](#) & the results of the [consultation on Schools in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century](#).
- Slovenia has opened a [Euro Mediterranean University](#). **Slovenia** can look back on their presidency. With i.e. the [adoption of the Council of Promoting creativity and innovation through education](#), the proposal of the Council to take freedom of knowledge as 5<sup>th</sup> freedom within the EU, the request to the EC to develop a Skills monitor 2020, and the agreement on Budapest for the EIT.
- [Maruja Gutierrez Diaz](#), (EC-EAC) on Science Cities conf. stresses that the **target** of the [2009 Year of Innovation & creativity](#) is to integrate this theme fully in the educational and vocational training after 2009, with i.e. public-private partnerships, especially regarding the beta themes, creative entrepreneurship and the use of the creative industry of this partnerships.

### PREPARATORY COMMUNICATIONS

- [France presidency of the Council](#). Their [agenda contains four main priorities](#): Energy-climate & -policy; migration harmonisation; European security and defence; Common Agricultural Policy. Regarding **education** they want to develop a LisbonPlus, as part of [EuroWorld 2015, the France agenda/calendar](#) focuses on: finalise Erasmus Mundus 09-13 (conference sep08 Strasbourg topic quality assurance); mobility of trainees; European research area as part of the Ljubliana Process, with a vision for 2020; decisions in ECVET (nov08); guidance & information to move between courses of study & European regulatory framework for electronic communication networks and services.
- Regarding the Consultation, the EC has published a communication about [Improving competences for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century](#). A **Agenda for European Cooperation on Schools** in order to come to an agenda that takes school education as a key priority for the next cycle of the Lisbon process, identifying cooperation as best strategy in three areas: focus on competences; high quality learning for every student; teachers and school staff.

### AGENDA

- 17-19 July, Paris, International Conference on [Education, Economy & Society, program](#).
- 10-13 Sep, Antwerp. **EAIE** Conference: [Re-designing the map of European higher education](#).

### NEW REPORTS/RESEARCH

- New [Cedefop publications explore learning without borders](#), validation of non-formal and informal learning in Europe, a snapshot 2007.
- [ETUCE report on LLL in the EU](#) of their conference nov '07.
- The EC has published a brochure about [good practices of educating entrepreneurship](#).