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LABOUR MARKET – MIGRANTS – REGION



PRESENTATION OF A CONCEPT

- International Workshop for Experts -

**24th June 2008, Brussels
Committee of the Regions**



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European Employment Strategy

Labour Market – Migrants – Region

Presentation of a Concept for Target Group Monitoring

A concept of 'Target Group Monitoring' which can be applied to observe, accompany, direct and control the status of integration from migrants into regional labour markets will be presented and discussed in this workshop. The specific goal of this meeting is to deepen central aspects of the concept and its modes of application in different European regions to improve its usability. To manage this, experts with different backgrounds in labour market, migration, statistics, politics, and qualification will be brought together.

The concept which will be presented was developed within the EU-funded project 'Target Group Monitoring'. Of great importance in the development of the concept were on one hand processes of mutual learning between members of the European Network of Regional Labour Market Monitoring. On the other hand, there were researchers from Austria, Czech Republic, Germany, and the Netherlands involved, to assure the practicability of the concept in various European regions.

It can be expected that the workshop will improve the usability of the concept. It also provides the participants with basic information on the concept which will help them to apply it in their own framework or spread information about the concept within their own networks. If participants are interested in a continuous exchange on this issue, the European Network of Regional Labour Market Monitoring will provide the opportunities to do so.

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The Programme

Tuesday, 24th of June 2008

- 12:00 h Registration and Refreshment
- 12:30 h Welcome
Gerhard Stahl, Committee of the Regions, Brussels/Belgium, General Secretary (not confirmed)
- 12:45 h The European Migration Policy in the Context of the European Employment Strategy
Egbert Holthuis, European Commission, Brussels/Belgium, Directorate-General for Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, Deputy Head of European Employment Strategy, CSR, Local Development
- 13:00 h Introduction and Objectives
Alfons Schmid, Institute for Economics, Labour and Culture (IWAK), University of Frankfurt (M.)/Germany, Chair of the Board
- 13:15 h Presentation of the Concept
Waldemar Mathejczyk, Institute for Economics, Labour and Culture (IWAK), University of Frankfurt (M.)/Germany, Senior Researcher und Project Coordinator
- 13:45 h First Coffee Break
- 14:15 h Working Groups
- 15:45 h Second Coffee Break
- 16:15 h Plenary Session
Peter de Bruin, I&O Research, Enschede/ Netherlands, Research Director
- 17:15 h Closing Speech
Alfons Schmid, Institute for Economics, Labour and Culture (IWAK), University of Frankfurt (M.)/Germany, Chair of the Board
- 17:30 h End

Working Groups

1 - Concepts for Describing Persons with Immigration Background on Regional Level

The aim of this working group is to discuss, from the perspective of actors in regional labour markets, which of the currently used statistical concepts for defining/describing persons with migration background can be employed and is (most) useful for target group monitoring. An additional aspect of the discussion will focus on the consequences of any particular choice of such a concept.

Introduction: *Marc Bittner, Paul Lazarsfeld Society for Social Research, Wien/Austria, Senior Researcher*

Discussion: *Markus Lohr, translake GmbH, Kostanz/Germany, Senior Researcher*

2 - Transferability of Core Indicators

The project yields a set of core indicators for representing the level of integration of migrants in regional labour markets. The task of this working group is to evaluate whether and to what extent this core set of indicators is appropriate in various European regions, and how these indicators can be interpreted and put to use by regional actors. A special focus will be additionally set on the availability of data in various European regions and to evaluate the form of any large scale transferability.

Introduction: *Christa Larsen, Institute for Economics, Labour and Culture (IWAK), University of Frankfurt (M.)/Germany, Managing Director*

Discussion: *Jakub Musil, Research Institute for Labour and Social Affairs (RILSA), Prague/Czech Republic, Senior Researcher*