

## Request for the Annual Meeting of the European Network of Regional Labour Market Monitoring

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#### ***Call for Articles for the Network Anthology and the Participation at the Annual Meeting 2010***

As decided at the Annual Meeting 2009 in Copenhagen, there will be a common topic covered by the network anthology 2010 and at the Network's 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, 8<sup>th</sup> of October 2010 in Marseille

Topic

#### ***“Reduction of Youth Unemployment through Regional Labour Market Monitoring”***

##### *Background for this Theme Selection:*

Fighting unemployment, especially among the young, is an important goal of many actors working at the regional labour market level. The fringe of unemployment, so to say the multiple kinds of intermediate status (part-time jobs, short-term contracts, employment schemes, etc.) which play also an important role in the youth transition to work, be they stepping stones (to avoid unemployment) or traps (leading to unemployment), is also a crucial issue as regards insecurity and precariousness of young people employment. An important prerequisite for the systematic application of measures and other strategies to help the reduction of youth unemployment and precariousness is a transparency of the dynamics of the regional labour market. With the instruments of regional labour market monitoring, a high degree of transparency can be continuously maintained. Therefore, there is an interest in utilising regional labour market monitoring. It should be determined, what data, which analysis techniques, which communication media, which evaluation instruments and what social network forms should be applied within the regional labour market to systematically combat youth unemployment. As the geographical, social, political and regulatory conditions vary greatly in the different regions of Europe, it can be expected that a labour market monitoring focusing on youth will have a variety of developments and implementations. Against this background, the best practice examples should be presented along with the regional decision making processes that are initially supported by this monitoring.

The best practice examples will be analysed in order to work out what are the commonalities and differences in data, analysis, communication and networking. From this, recommendations for European regions will be derived for how labour market monitoring can be best applied for easing access to durable employment. It should also be examined, which context constellations produce specific regional labour market monitoring types. This will provide guidance in how monitoring instruments should be adapted for this group.

All Network members that would like to contribute either an article in the anthology or a presentation at the Annual Meeting on this theme are invited to contact the Network Coordinator, Jenny Kipper. Jenny will collect the responses and will, in February 2010, contact everyone with interest concerning the structure of the articles, and deadlines. It would be extremely helpful if interested network members would contact Jenny by the 30<sup>th</sup> of January. For the presentations for the annual meeting we will contact you in March 2010.

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