



Meeting of ASEM General Directors and experts in the field of vocational education and training

“Strengthening human resources through VET”

Berlin, Germany

February 12 – 14, 2006

Draft Programme

Sunday, 12th February

- 05.30 p.m. Guided Tour through the Reichstag (Residence of the German National Parliament)
- 08.00 p.m. Welcome Dinner at Restaurant Käfer at the Reichstag

Monday, 13th February

- 10.00 a.m. **Welcome address**
- Veronika Pahl**
 General Director
 German Federal Ministry of Education and Research
- Introductory speech**
- Andreas Storm**
 Parliamentary State Secretary
 German Federal Ministry of Education and Research
- 10.30 a.m. **“Raising the attractiveness of VET”**
- Presentation by various stakeholders:
- Professor Reinhold Weiß**
 Deputy President and Head of Research
 Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training
- Timo Lankinen**
 Government Counsellor
 Ministry of Education, Finland



Dayuan Jiang
Assistant Director
Ministry of Education, China

Wilfried Telkämper
Head of Division
InWEnt

Social Partners
To be confirmed

12.00 p.m. **Discussion round**

12.30 p.m. Lunchbreak

02.00 p.m. **Presentation and discussion of current developments in European cooperation**

Peter Thiele
Deputy Director
Department Vocational Training and Education
German Federal Ministry of Education and Research

03.00 p.m. **Three parallel workshops on different topics**

Workshop 1:
Attractiveness of VET: how to meet the question of linking VET with Higher and Further Education

Chair: **Susanne Burger**
Deputy Director International Cooperation in VET
German Federal Ministry of Education and Research

Various inputs

Workshop 2:
Quality in VET: how to develop and raise standards

Chair: **Peter Kreiml**
Director
EU and International Affairs
Federal Ministry for Education, Science and Culture, Austria

Various inputs

Workshop 3:
VET and the Labour Market: how to engage business/enterprises in VET



Chair: **Dr Gisela Dybowski**
Head of Department "Research"
Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training

Various inputs

Flexible Coffeebreaks

05.30 p.m. Transfer from GTZ-Haus

Evening programme:

Sightseeing tour by ship

Dinner at Restaurant Brasserie at Gendarmenmarkt

Tuesday, 14th February

09.30 a.m. **Continuation of the workshops**

11.00 a.m. Coffeebreak

11.30 a.m. **Reports on the results of the working group and final plenary**

12.30 p.m. **Closing Remarks**

Veronika Pahl
General Director
German Federal Ministry of Education and Research

01.00 p.m. Lunch

02.30 p.m. Transfer from GTZ-Haus

Visit of enterprises and training sites in Berlin
(optional)

Conference languages are English and German. Simultaneous translation will be provided except for the workshops which will be in English only.