## A new TVET form of professional training in ROMANIA

**Dual-education** 

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# About NCTVETD

The National Centre for Technical and Vocational Education and Training Development (NCTVETD) is:

- a public institution
- a legal person

Under the Ministry of National Education since 1st of January 1999.



A network of 10 regional offices in the development regions.

### The mission of the NCTVETD

- to contribute to the development of a qualitative and attractive TVET
- to offer equal chances of personal and professional development to each student :
  - to support him/ her in the acquisition and the use of knowledge, skills and competencies to facilitate employability;
  - ➤ to keep on learning throughout his/her entire life;
  - to have an active role in society, to contribute to the economic and social development of its community.



# **NCTVETD-** main activities:

- develop TVET policies and strategies;
- develop TVET qualifications and curriculum;
- ➢ improve and assure TVET Quality;
- Strategic planning mechanism for TVET training offer on short and medium term.



# National VET strategy

In april 2016, Romania adopted a National VET Strategy-structured around four key objectives:

improving labour market relevance;
increasing participation in VET;
improving quality;
developing innovation and national/

international cooperation in VET.



#### Legal frame for dual-education GD 81/2016

- defines the dual-education as an organizational form of the professional and technical education, carried out at the initiative of the interested economic operators, as potential employers and apprenticeship partners;
- based on a partnership contract and on individual contracts for apprenticeship;
- the economic operators cover the *additional* scholarships for students, conditioned by students frequency;
- implemented starting with the school year 2017-2018;
- the implementation of the dual education in Romania is the consequence of a growing demand for *specialised workforce* and gives the possibility to reduce *youth unemployment* and *early school leaving rates* by offering alternative ways of vocational education.

### **Entry LEVEL - Entry CONDITIONS**

- after successful completion of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade;
- signature of an practical training contract between student/parent, school and a company;
- the company is part of the selection process of the students that apply for a qualification.



# **Educational process:**

- the dual-education has a 3-year duration and will allow the graduates to obtain the qualifications level 3, according to the NQF; (for the moment this type of training is functional only for the level 3);
- 30% theory, 70% practical training (24 weeks practical training in companies);
- companies involved in designing curricular offer (national and locally developed curriculum);
- practical training tutor nominated by the company;
- practical training supervisor from the school side;
- companies representatives are nominated in the schools administration councils.

## **Educational output:**

- qualification certificate, EQF level 3;
- companies involved in final examination (certification);
- graduates can continue their studies in 11 th grade of Technological High School towards "bacalaureat" (matura exam) and EQF level 4.



# School curricula

According to the school curricula, in the dual system:

 theoretical learning represents 40% of the total no. of hours and practical training 60%, in the first of the three years of schooling;



 in the third year, this ratio changes, and practical activities in companies represent 75% of the training programme.

## **Benefits**

#### • for the students:

-additional scholarships (students receive a 200-lei from the state and 200 lei from the employer; in total-about 100 euros); -upon graduation they receive a professional certificate, and can be hired by the companies where they have learnt their professions;

- the possibility to build a professional career and even a chance for them to further studies, up to university level;

-good jobs and great career opportunities;

#### • for the company:



-qualified labour force (labour force needs adequate theoretical and practical education).

## **Dual VET in ...statistics**

| No<br>crt | Form of<br>organization | No of<br>classes | No. places<br>approved | Nr. of places<br>occupied from<br>the approved<br>plan | Percentage of occupancy |
|-----------|-------------------------|------------------|------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| 1         | Total<br>ROMÂNIA        | 1.362,5          | 38.045                 | 28.734   | 75,53%                  |
| 2         | Vocational education    | 1.233,0          | 34.525                 | 26.350   | 76,32%                  |
| 3         | Dual<br>education       | 129,5            | 3.520                  | 2.384  | 67,73%                  |



## **Information of interest**

### For:

- students
- parents
- economic operators
- schools

can be found on the site : <u>www.alegetidrumul.ro</u>.



#### Thank you for your attention !

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