## **CONFERENCE** on

# "Micro-credentials:What, Why, Who and How?"

Dates: 12-14 November 2024 | Venue: Raddison Blu Hotel Larnaca

### **Agenda**

### **DAY 1 - 12 November 2024**

### **Arrival in Cyprus**

Welcome & Networking Event

19:00 - 21:00

Sky Bar (16th floor – Radisson Blu Hotel

Larnaca)

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DAY 2 - 13 November 2024				
Registration	08:30 - 09:00	Skala Hall, 16th Floor		
Welcome speech from IDEP President	09:00 - 09:05	Prof. Petros Pashiardis President of the Board of Directors, Foundation for the Management of the European Life Long Learning Programmes		
Welcome speech from HRDA Director	09:05 - 09:15	Mr. Yiannis Mourouzides Director General, Human Resource Development Authority (HRDA)		
Micro credentials for VET and labour market: The EU perspective	09:15 - 09:35	Ms. Anastasia Pouliou CEDEFOP expert, Department for VET and Qualifications (virtual attendance)		
Target Setting speech from IDEP Director	09:35 - 09:50	Dr. Stylianos Mavromoustakos Director, Foundation for the Management of the European Life Long Learning Programmes		
Making Microcredentials Matter: A Global Perspective from the World Alliance for Micro-credentials	09:50 - 10:20 e	Dr. Oonagh McGirr President of the World Alliance for Micro-credentials Foundation		

Micro-credentials in an age of AI: why do we have this challenge?	10:20 - 10:50	Prof. James Calleja Former Principal and CEO of the Malta College of Arts, Science and Technology & President of EfVET
Coffee Break	10:50 - 11:20	30'
Workshops: What and Why?	11:20 - 13:00	Moderators:
Working Group 1 (Skala Hall, 16th Floor)		Prof. James Calleja
Working Group 2 (Kition 1 Room – Mezzanine)		Dr. Oonagh McGirr
Working Group 3 (QBlu Plaza – Ground floor)		Dr. Cosmina Theodoulou Academic Quality and Compliance Director, UCLAN Cyprus
Lunch Break	13:00 - 14:30	90'
Presentation of workshops results	14:30 - 15:00	<ul> <li>Dr. Oonagh McGirr</li> <li>Prof. James Calleja</li> <li>Dr. Cosmina Theodoulou</li> </ul>
Implementing micro-credentials in the HRDA's activities	15:00 - 15:15	Ms. Stella Philippou Officer A, Human Resource Development Authority of Cyprus (HRDA)
Panel Discussion on the partnership between Industry and Providers	15:15 - 16:15	<ul> <li>Prof. Petros Pashiardis (Moderator)</li> <li>Dr. Oonagh McGirr</li> <li>Prof. James Calleja</li> <li>Prof. Irene Polycarpou</li> <li>Cyprus Rector's</li> <li>Conference President</li> <li>Rector of UCLan Cyprus</li> <li>Mr. Neofytos</li> <li>Xenofondos</li> <li>CCCI expert consultant</li> </ul>

CY National VET Team of Experts coordination meeting	16:15 - 17:00	Closed session		
Guided tour in Larnaca city	18:00 - 20:00			
Dinner	20:00 - 22:00			
DAY 3 – 14 November 2024				
Registration	08:30 - 09:00	Skala Hall, 16th Floor		
Micro-Qualifications – an agile response to future-proofing skills	09:00 - 09:30	Ms. Noreen FitzPatrick Manager, Workforce Development, SOLAS Ireland		
Process of Implementation of Micro-credentials into Croatian Adult Education System	09:30 - 10:00	Ms. Ivana Krešić Klaucke Head of Department for Adult Education, Ministry of Science, Education and Youth, Republic of Croatia		
Coffee Break	10:00 - 10:20	20'		
Workshops: Who/Which and How?	10:20 - 11:30	Moderators:		
Working Group 1 (Skala Hall, 16th Floor)		Ms. Noreen FitzPatrick		
Working Group 2 (Kition 1 Room – Mezzanine)		Ms. Ivana Krešić Klaucke		
Working Group 3 (QBlu Plaza – Ground floor)		Ms. Christiana Knais General Manager of the Mediterranean Management Centre Ltd		
Presentation of workshops results	11:30 - 12:00	<ul><li>Ms. Noreen FitzPatrick</li><li>Ms. Ivana Krešić</li><li>Klaucke</li><li>Ms. Christiana Knais</li></ul>		
Panel Discussion on What's next: the Cyprus case	12:00 - 13:20	• Dr. Stelios Orphanos Senior Education Planning Officer, Ministry of Education,		

Sport and Youth (MOEC – Moderator)

- Ms. Stella Philippou Officer A, Human Resource Development Authority of Cyprus (HRDA)
- Ms. Maria Theodorou
   Human Resources
   Director, Cyprus
   Employers & Industrialists
   Federation (OEB)
- Ms. Lia Kallidou-Ellina Managing Director, Ati Seminar & HR Solutions Ltd
- Ms. Erato Ioannou
   Moustaka
   Officer A,
   Cyprus Agency
   for Quality
   Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education
   (CYQAA)
- Dr. Alexandra Petridou Education Officer, Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Sport and Youth (MOEC)

**Closing Remarks** 

13:20 - 13:30

Dr. Stylianos Mavromoustakos

Lunch Break

13:30 - 1/:30

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Optional Afternoon Cultural activity



