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> Web Site

A virtual forum for the exchange between network members is accessible to put in information about their concepts and to ask for exchange on certain topics. > www.regionallabourmarketmonitoring.net

> Newsletter

The European Network of Regional Labour Market Monitoring sends out a Network Newsletter to inform about events and activities. If you are interested, please contact: > mathejczyk@em.uni-frankfurt.de

> Background

Regional factors are crucial for the position of enterprises in highly competitive and turbulent markets. A major precondition for the functioning of regional labour markets is adequate information for all actors involved.

Respective data have to be current, future-related, fitting the needs of both actors and decision-makers. Regional Labour Market Monitoring as an on-going practice can be seen as an approach to meet these requirements.

Regional Labour Market Monitoring is an instrument for enhancing the efficiency and effectiveness of regional labour markets and labour market politics. It generates and disseminates information that turns into knowledge for actors in the regional labour market. To that extent it contributes to effective decision making and actions.

A variety of projects in this area have been set up in several European countries, but there is obviously a lack of interconnection and cooperation between them.

The network at a European level supports the further development of methods and concepts by bringing scientists from different countries together.

A Brief Introduction to the



European Network of Regional Labour Market Monitoring

History – Structure – Activities

March 2007

> Objectives

The European Network of Regional Labour Market Monitoring was founded in March 2006. It is a non-profit organisation to further concepts and instruments in the field of Regional Labour Market Monitoring and to diffuse common methods for the study, research, and analysis of this issue.

The overall objective is to promote a better understanding of the functioning of the Regional Labour Market Monitoring as an essential instrument for labour market strategies according to the European Employment Strategy.

> History

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| Sept. 2005 | National Conference about Regional Labour Market Monitoring in Germany, Frankfurt / Main (Germany) |
| March 2006 | International Conference "Monitoring of Regional Labour Markets in European States", Frankfurt / Main (Germany) |
| Sept. 2006 | Workshop "Monitoring of Regional Labour Markets" at the Committee of the Regions, Brussels (Belgium) |

> Publications

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| 2007 | Larsen, C., Mathejczyk, W., Schmid, A. (Ed.): Monitoring of Regional Labour Markets in European States. Concepts, Experiences and Perspectives. |
| 2006 | Larsen, C., Mathejczyk, W., Schmid, A. (Ed.): Monitoring of Regional Labour Markets in Europe. Workshop Documentation, 18 th Sept. 2006, Committee of the Regions in Brussels |
| 2005 | Larsen, C., Dera, S., Knobel, C., Schmid, A. (Ed.): Regionales Arbeitsmarktmonitoring. Ansätze, Konzepte und Entwicklungen in Deutschland. |

> Workshops, Conferences, and Meetings in 2007

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| April 2007 | International Conference on "Target Group Monitoring", in Frankfurt / Main (Germany) |
| July 2007 | International Workshop "Regional Forecasting and Labour Market Monitoring" in Frankfurt / Main (Germany) |
| Sept. 2007 | Annual Meeting of the European Network of Regional Labour Market Monitoring, in Rome (Italy) |

> EU-Project "Target Group Monitoring"

The project 'Target Group Monitoring' is supported (Dec. 2006 – June 2008) by the European Commission within the Mutual Learning Programme of the European Employment Strategy. The objective is to develop a target group monitoring concept for the purpose of supporting the integration of migrants into employment through mutual learning facilitated within the European Network of Regional Labour Market Monitoring. > www.targetgroupmonitoring.net

> Network Coordinator

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> Network Members

Everybody who is interested in the field of Regional Labour Market Monitoring can join the European Network without any obligation. Currently, diverse experts from science, labour administration and consulting branch (80 institutions from 16 nations) are network members.

> Working Groups

The European Network has established three virtual working groups to the following topics:

1. "Regional Forecasting in Regional Labour Market Monitoring"
2. "Standardisation of Concepts and Data for Regional Labour Market Monitoring"
3. "Communication and Dissemination of Information to the Users of Regional Labour Market Monitoring"

> European Research Group

Within the European Network a European Research Group has been established as a temporary research consortium that intends to develop and promote a joint programme for scientific and cultural collaboration. The group consists of persons from the following institutions:

- CEREQ - Centre d' études et de recherches sur les qualifications, France
- EURISPES General Secretary, Italy
- Institute for Economics, Labour and Culture (IWAK), Germany
- Johann Wolfgang Goethe - University, Germany
- Napier University / Employment Research Institute, United Kingdom
- Paul Lazarsfeld Society for Social Research (PLG), Austria
- Privatinstitut für Regional- und Unternehmensentwicklung (PRU) Chemnitz GmbH, Germany
- Universita' di Roma La Sapienza, Italy