

**ASEM Symposium**  
**Technical and Vocational Education and Training**  
**“Putting Frameworks into Practice: Demand, Development and Decision”**

**27 – 28 February 2012**  
**Berlin, Germany**

**Sunday, 26 February 2012 – Social programme**

16.00 – 18:00	<b><u>SIGHTSEEING TOUR OF BERLIN</u></b> Tour bus leaves from Excelsior Hotel at 16:00 and brings participants back to hotel at 18:00.	Meeting point: hotel lobby
19.00 – 21:00	<b><u>INFORMAL DINNER – on invitation by the host at restaurant “12 Apostel”</u></b> Shuttle bus leaves from Excelsior Hotel at 18:45 and brings participants back to hotel at 21:00.	Meeting point: hotel lobby

**Monday, 27 February 2012 – ASEM TVET Symposium, day 1**

Ludwig Erhard Haus (LEH), Fasanenstraße 85, 10623 Berlin, Germany

09.00 – 10.00	<b>Registration and welcome coffee</b>	<i>Goldberger Saal</i>
10.00 – 10.45	<b><u>WELCOME ADDRESSES</u></b>  Speakers: <b>Dr. Walter Mönig</b> , Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), Germany  <b>Birgit Thomann</b> , Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB), Germany  <b>Dr. Shyamal Majumdar</b> , UNESCO-UNEVOC, Germany	<i>Goldberger Saal</i>
10.45 – 12.00	<b><u>KEYNOTES</u></b>  <b><i>National Qualifications Frameworks between Education and Employment</i></b>  Speakers: <b>Dr. Madlen Serban</b> , European Training Foundation (ETF), Italy  <b>Prof. Dr. David Raffé</b> , Centre for Educational Sociology, University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom  Facilitator: <b>Jan Ebben</b> , Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB), Germany	<i>Goldberger Saal</i>

12.00 – 12.15	<b><u>PRESENTATION OF THE QINGDAO DECLARATION</u></b>	Goldberger Saal
12.15 – 12.30	<b><u>INTRODUCTION TO THE WORKING SESSIONS</u></b> <b>Dr. Georg Hanf</b> , Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB)	Goldberger Saal
12.30 – 12.45	<b>Family Photo</b>	To be announced
12.45 – 14.00	<b>Networking Lunch</b>	In front of Goldberger Saal
14.00	<b><u>PARALLEL WORKING SESSIONS</u></b>	
	<p><b><u>1. “DEMAND”</u></b></p> <p><i><b>Demand</b> – Aims, objectives, targets of NQFs. Who wanted/wants them? What for? Who are the (main) stakeholders? Education and /or employment? What does/will NQF mean for qualification systems (shift to a learning outcomes approach)?</i></p> <p>Chair: <b>Diana Cáceres-Reebs</b>, Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB), Germany</p> <p>Input: <b>R.L. Singh</b>, Ministry of Labour &amp; Employment, India <b>Sabine Gummersbach-Majoroh</b>, Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), Germany</p> <p>Rapporteur: <b>Maren Verfürth</b>, Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB), Germany</p>	Board Room (2 <sup>nd</sup> floor; accessible from Goldberger Saal)
	<p><b><u>2. “DEVELOPMENT”</u></b></p> <p><i><b>Development</b> – Who drives the development of NQFs? How – equation or criteria –based? What are the criteria/descriptors for learning outcomes? Is there a common language across sectors? How to define the necessary number of levels? How to reference qualifications: qualification types or individual qualifications? Who decided/decides on referencing?</i></p> <p>Chair: <b>Charlotte Geerdink</b>, Netherlands House for Education and Research, (NETHER), Belgium</p> <p>Input: <b>Balakrishnan Vassu</b>, Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA), Malaysia <b>Anne-Marie Charraud</b>, formerly Ministry of Labour, Employment and Health, France</p> <p>Rapporteur: <b>Dr. Georg Hanf</b>, Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB), Germany</p>	Room 2D-01/02 (2 <sup>nd</sup> floor)

<p><b>3. “DECISION AND IMPLEMENTATION”</b></p> <p><i>Decision and implementation – What is the (legal) status of the NQFs? Governance: What is/will be done with it? How to manage the process? Institutional set-up, tasks, procedures of communication and co-operation? Evidence of impact?</i></p> <p>Chair: <b>Elizabeth Watters</b>, European Research for Intercultural Understanding (ERIU), Bonn, Germany</p> <p>Input: <b>Ann Doolette</b>, Australian Qualifications Framework Council (AQF), Australia <b>Simon Perks</b>, Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation (Ofqual), United Kingdom</p> <p>Rapporteur: <b>Jan Ebben</b>, Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB), Germany</p>		<p>Room 2D-10 (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)</p>
15.15 – 15.45	<b>Coffee Break</b>	Workshop rooms
15.45 – 16.30	<b>Continuation of the Parallel Working Sessions</b>	Workshop rooms
16.30 – 17.30	<b>Meeting of the Rapporteurs</b>	Board Room
19.00	<p><b><u>JOINT DINNER</u></b> – on invitation by the host at restaurant “Patio”</p> <p>Shuttle bus leaves from Excelsior Hotel at 18:35 and brings participants back to hotel at 21:00.</p>	Meeting point: hotel lobby

## Tuesday, 28 February 2012 – ASEM TVET Symposium, day 2

(Ludwig Erhard Haus (LEH), Fasanenstraße 85, 10623 Berlin, Germany)

09.00 – 09.45	<b><u>FEEDBACK FROM THE WORKING SESSIONS</u></b>	<i>Goldberger Saal</i>
	Rapporteur 1 <b>Maren Verfürth</b> , Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB), Germany	
	Rapporteur 2 <b>Dr. Georg Hanf</b> , Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB), Germany	
	Rapporteur 3 <b>Jan Ebben</b> , Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB), Germany	
09.45 – 11.00	<b><u>ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION</u></b>  <i>“Will NQFs bring Asia and Europe closer together, increase education and/or work mobility, and support conversion of systems?”</i>	<i>Goldberger Saal</i>
	Chair: <b>Dr. Shyamal Majumdar</b> , UNESCO-UNEVOC, Germany	
	Panellists: <b>Yufeng Liu</b> , Central Institute for Vocational and Technical Education (CIVTE), P.R. China	
	<b>Dr. Paryono</b> , Regional Centre for Vocational Education & Training (SEAMEO VOCTECH), Brunei	
	<b>Reinhard Nöbauer</b> , Federal Ministry of Education, Arts and Culture (BMUKK), Austria	
	<b>Jens Bjornavold</b> , European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training (Cedefop), Brussels, Belgium	
11.00 – 11.30	<b>Coffee Break</b>	<i>Goldberger Saal</i>
11.30 – 12.00	<b><u>CLOSING REMARKS AND PRESENTATION OF FURTHER STEPS</u></b>	<i>Goldberger Saal</i>
	Speakers: <b>Christian Stertz</b> , Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), Germany	
	<b>Dr. Hoang Ngoc Vinh</b> , Ministry of Education and Training (MOET), Vietnam	
12.00	<b>Farewell Lunch</b>	<i>In front of Goldberger Saal</i>
13.30	<b>End of Conference</b>	