

Country:	Lithuania
Member/Company	The Lithuanian Confederation of Industrialists (LPK)
Initiative	On vocational training

Overview
<p><a href="#"><u>Employers welcome the Ministry's efforts to strengthen vocational training</u></a></p> <p>April 5 The first meeting of the working group of the National Platform for the Progress of Vocational Schools took place in 2006 to discuss the transformation of the network of vocational schools. Speaking at the meeting, Gintautas Kvietkauskas, Vice-President of the Lithuanian Confederation of Industrialists, welcomed the intention of the Ministry of Education, Science and Sports to strengthen vocational training.</p> <p>"Employers are constantly emphasizing several key points: firstly, to prepare employees for the labor market in modern training bases, responding to the needs of the labor market in sectoral centers and concentrating the competencies required by Industry 4.0. Secondly, that competent vocational teachers and other professionals work in vocational training institutions. Thirdly, that employers should also be directly involved in the training of professionals and take responsibility for the qualifications they acquire. Therefore, we support the reform of the network of vocational training institutions as one of the means to create a sustainable model of vocational training that meets the needs of the market," emphasized the Vice President of LPK.</p> <p>This working group was formed on the initiative of the Ministry of Education, Science and Sports from representatives of various institutions. The working group of this platform is expected to make proposals on the strategic development directions, increasing the efficiency, quality and popularity of management, strengthening the vocational training network, vocational training and non-formal adult education programs, competence assessment centers, new vocational standards, training, motivation and in-service training of vocational teachers, promotion of apprenticeships, etc</p>