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## 1. Policy Documents, Frameworks and Reports: Horizontal (selected)

Theme:	Title and Link:
☞ General: Education and Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/international-partnerships/sustainable-development-goals_en">https://ec.europa.eu/international-partnerships/sustainable-development-goals_en</a></li> <li>Council Resolution on a Strategic Framework for European Cooperation in Education and Training towards the European Education Area and Beyond (2021): <a href="https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=uriserv:OJ.C_.2021.066.01.0001.01.ENG">https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=uriserv:OJ.C_.2021.066.01.0001.01.ENG</a></li> <li>European Skills Agenda for Sustainable Competitiveness, Social Fairness and Resilience (2020): <a href="https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A52020DC0274">https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A52020DC0274</a></li> <li>Communication on Strengthening European Identity through Education and Culture (2017): <a href="https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=COM%3A2017%3A673%3AFIN">https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=COM%3A2017%3A673%3AFIN</a></li> <li>Building a stronger Europe: the role of youth, education and culture policies (2018): <a href="https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:52018DC0268&amp;from=EN">https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:52018DC0268&amp;from=EN</a></li> <li>EU Youth Strategy - Council Resolution on a Framework for European Cooperation in the Youth Field: The European Union Youth Strategy 2019-2027 <a href="https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A42018Y1218%2801%29">https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A42018Y1218%2801%29</a></li> </ul>
☞ Digital Transformation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Digital Education Action Plan (2021-2027): <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/education/education-in-the-eu/digital-education-action-plan_en">https://ec.europa.eu/education/education-in-the-eu/digital-education-action-plan_en</a></li> <li>Digital Competence Framework for Citizens (DigComp): <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/digcomp/digital-competence-framework">https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/digcomp/digital-competence-framework</a></li> <li>Digital Competence Framework for Educators (DigCompEdu): <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/digcompedu">https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/digcompedu</a></li> <li>Digitally Competence Educational Organisations (DigComp) Framework: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/digcomporg/framework">https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/digcomporg/framework</a></li> <li>Developing Digital Youth Work: Policy Recommendations, Training Needs and Good Practice (2018): <a href="https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/fbc18822-07cb-11e8-b8f5-01aa75ed71a1">https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/fbc18822-07cb-11e8-b8f5-01aa75ed71a1</a></li> </ul>

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### ☞ Inclusion and Diversity

- Framework of inclusion measures of Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps 2021-2027:  
<https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/document/commission-decision-framework-inclusion-2021-27>
- Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps Inclusion and Diversity Strategy  
<https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/document/implementation-guidelines-erasmus-and-european-solidarity-corps-inclusion-and-diversity-strategy>
- Council Recommendation on Promoting Common Values, Inclusive Education, and the European Dimension of Teaching (2018):  
<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32018H0607%2801%29>
- The European Pillar of Social Rights: [https://ec.europa.eu/commission/priorities/deeper-and-fairer-economic-and-monetary-union/european-pillar-social-rights\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/commission/priorities/deeper-and-fairer-economic-and-monetary-union/european-pillar-social-rights_en)
- European Commission Action Plan on the Integration of Third Country Nationals (2016):  
<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A52016DC0377>
- The Contribution of Youth Work to Preventing Marginalisation and Violent Radicalisation (2017):  
<https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/0ad09926-a8b1-11e7-837e-01aa75ed71a1>
- Union of Equality: Strategy on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities 2021-2030:  
<https://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=1535&langId=en>

### ☞ Environment and Fight Against Climate Change

- Education for Climate Coalition:  
<https://education-for-climate.ec.europa.eu/>
- Commission Communication on the European Green Deal (2019):  
<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=COM%3A2019%3A640%3AFIN>
- European Climate Pact:  
[https://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/eu-climate-action/pact\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/eu-climate-action/pact_en)
- Proposal for a Council Recommendation on Learning for Environmental Sustainability (2022):  
[https://education.ec.europa.eu/sites/default/files/2022-01/proposal-council-recommendation-learning-environmental-sustainability\\_0.pdf](https://education.ec.europa.eu/sites/default/files/2022-01/proposal-council-recommendation-learning-environmental-sustainability_0.pdf)
- GreenComp - The European Sustainability Competence Framework (2022):  
<https://publications.jrc.ec.europa.eu/repository/handle/JRC128040>

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☞ Participation in  
Democratic Life

- European Democracy Action Plan:  
[https://ec.europa.eu/info/strategy/priorities-2019-2024/new-push-european-democracy/european-democracy-action-plan\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/info/strategy/priorities-2019-2024/new-push-european-democracy/european-democracy-action-plan_en)
- EU Citizenship Report: Empowering Citizens and Protecting their Rights (2020):  
<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A52020DC0730>
- European Youth Parliament:  
<https://evp.org/>

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## 2. Policy Documents, Frameworks and Reports: Sector-Specific (selected)

Theme:	Title and Link:
👉 Adult Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ European Commission - Adult Learning: <a href="https://education.ec.europa.eu/levels/adult-learning">https://education.ec.europa.eu/levels/adult-learning</a></li><li>▪ Communication on Achieving the European Education Area by 2025 (2020): <a href="https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:52020DC0625&amp;from=EN">https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:52020DC0625&amp;from=EN</a></li><li>▪ Renewed European Agenda for adult learning (2011): <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:2011:372:0001:0006:EN:PDF">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:2011:372:0001:0006:EN:PDF</a></li><li>▪ Council Recommendation on Upskilling Pathways: New Opportunities for Adults (2016): <a href="https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ%3AJOC_2016_484_R_0001">https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ%3AJOC_2016_484_R_0001</a></li><li>▪ PIAAC - Survey of Adult Skills: <a href="http://www.oecd.org/skills/piaac/">http://www.oecd.org/skills/piaac/</a></li><li>▪ Final Report of ET2020 Working Group on Adult Learning (2018): <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=738&amp;langId=en&amp;pubId=8112&amp;furtherPubs=yes">https://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=738&amp;langId=en&amp;pubId=8112&amp;furtherPubs=yes</a></li><li>▪ Adult Skills - Individual Learning Accounts: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/12876-Adult-skills-Individual-Learning-Accounts-a-tool-to-improve-access-to-training_en">https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/12876-Adult-skills-Individual-Learning-Accounts-a-tool-to-improve-access-to-training_en</a></li><li>▪ Council Resolution on a New European Agenda for Adult Learning (2021-2030): <a href="https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:32021G1214(01)&amp;from=EN">https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:32021G1214(01)&amp;from=EN</a></li></ul>

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🔗 Higher  
Education

- European Commission - Higher Education:  
<https://education.ec.europa.eu/levels/higher-education>
- European Commission - A European Approach to Micro-Credentials  
<https://education.ec.europa.eu/education-levels/higher-education/micro-credentials>
- Communication on a Renewed EU Agenda for Higher Education (2017):  
<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A52017DC0247>
- Communication on Achieving the European Education Area by 2025 (2020):  
<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:52020DC0625&from=EN>
- Communication from the Commission on a European Strategy for Universities (2022):  
<https://education.ec.europa.eu/document/commission-communication-on-a-european-strategy-for-universities>
- Council Recommendation on Building Bridges for Effective European Higher Education (2022):  
<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32022H0413%2801%29>
- European Higher Education in the World:  
<https://education.ec.europa.eu/focus-topics/eea-in-the-world/european-higher-education-in-the-world>
- European Universities Initiative:  
[https://ec.europa.eu/education/education-in-the-eu/european-education-area/european-universities-initiative\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/education/education-in-the-eu/european-education-area/european-universities-initiative_en)
- European Student Card Initiative:  
[https://ec.europa.eu/education/education-in-the-eu/european-student-card-initiative\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/education/education-in-the-eu/european-student-card-initiative_en)
- EHEA Ministerial Conference: Rome Ministerial Communiqué (2020):  
[http://www.ehea.info/Upload/Rome\\_Ministerial\\_Communique.pdf](http://www.ehea.info/Upload/Rome_Ministerial_Communique.pdf)

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👉 School  
Education

- European Commission - School Education:  
<https://education.ec.europa.eu/levels/school>
- European Commission - Early Childhood Education and Care:  
<https://education.ec.europa.eu/levels/early-childhood-education-care>
- Communication on Achieving the European Education Area by 2025 (2020):  
<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:52020DC0625&from=EN>
- Council Conclusions on School Development and Excellent Teaching for a Great Start in Life (2017)  
<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1496303586570&uri=SWD:2017:165:FIN>
- European Ideas for Better Learning - The Governance of School Education Systems – Final Report of the ET2020 Working Group on Schools (2018):  
<https://www.schooleducationgateway.eu/downloads/Governance/2018-wgs6-Full-Final-Output.pdf>
- Council Recommendation on Key Competences for Lifelong Learning (2018):  
[https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.C\\_.2018.189.01.0001.01.ENG&toc=OJ:C:2018:189:TOC](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.C_.2018.189.01.0001.01.ENG&toc=OJ:C:2018:189:TOC)
- Council Recommendation on Policies to Reduce Early School Leaving (2011):  
[https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX:32011H0701\(01\)](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX:32011H0701(01))
- Council Recommendation on High-Quality Early Childhood Education and Care Systems (2019):  
[https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.C\\_.2019.189.01.0004.01.ENG](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.C_.2019.189.01.0004.01.ENG)
- Teaching Careers in Europe: Access, Progression and Support (2018):  
<https://eurydice.eacea.ec.europa.eu/publications/teaching-careers-europe-access-progression-and-support>
- Teachers in Europe - Careers, Development and Wellbeing (2021):  
<https://eurydice.eacea.ec.europa.eu/publications/teachers-europe-careers-development-and-well-being>
- Council Conclusions on European Teachers and Trainers for the Future (2020):  
<https://www.consilium.europa.eu/media/44115/st08269-en20.pdf>
- Boosting Teacher Quality - Pathways to Effective Policies (2018):  
<https://publications.europa.eu/s/jOab>
- Council Recommendation on Blended Learning Approaches for High-Quality and Inclusive Primary and Secondary Education (2021):  
[https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:32021H1214\(01\)&from=EN](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:32021H1214(01)&from=EN)

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☞ Vocational  
Education and  
Training (VET)

- European Commission - Vocational Education and Training:  
<https://education.ec.europa.eu/levels/vocational-education-training>
- Communication on Achieving the European Education Area by 2025 (2020):  
<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:52020DC0625&from=EN>
- Council Recommendation on VET for Sustainable Competitiveness, Social Fairness and Resilience (2020):  
<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32020H1202%2801%29>
- Council Recommendation on a European Framework for Quality and Effective Apprenticeships (2018):  
<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32018H0502%2801%29>
- ETF International Study on Centres of Vocational Excellence - An Engine for VET Development (2020):  
<https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/40adf905-ee57-11ea-991b-01aa75ed71a1/language-en/format-PDF>
- Factsheet - Vocational Education and Training: A Future-Proof Approach (2020)  
<https://ec.europa.eu/social/BlobServlet?docId=22828&langId=en>
- Innovation and digitalisation: Report from the ET2020 Working Group on VET (2020):  
<https://ec.europa.eu/social/BlobServlet?docId=23274&langId=en>
- Joint Research Centre Report on Vocational Education and Smart Specialisation Strategies (2020):  
<https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/b0e5b94f-748c-11ea-a07e-01aa75ed71a1/language-en/format-PDF/>
- Osnabrück Declaration on VET as an Enabler of Recovery and Just Transitions to Digital and Green Economies (2020):  
[https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/files/osnabrueck\\_declaration\\_eu2020.pdf](https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/files/osnabrueck_declaration_eu2020.pdf)
- Platforms of Centres of Vocational Excellence (CoVE):  
<https://ec.europa.eu/social/vocational-excellence>
- Putting into Practice the European Framework for Quality and Effective Apprenticeships - Implementation of the Council Recommendation by Member States (2021):  
<https://ec.europa.eu/social/BlobServlet?docId=24714&langId=en>
- Work-Based Learning – High Performance Apprenticeships and Work-Based Learning – 20 guiding Principles (2016):  
<https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/hr/toolkits/vet-toolkit-tackling-early-leaving/resources/high-performance-apprenticeships-work-based>

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☞ Youth (YOU)

- Council Resolution on a framework for European cooperation in the youth field: The European Union Youth Strategy 2019-2027  
<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=OJ:C:2018:456:FULL>
- Conclusions of the Council and of the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States Meeting within the Council on Digital Youth Work (2019):  
<https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/ad692045-1b46-11ea-8c1f-01aa75ed71a1>
- Conclusions of the Council and of the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States Meeting within the Council on Education and Training of Youth Workers (2019):  
[https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?toc=OJ%3AC%3A2019%3A412%3AFULL&uri=uriserv%3AOJ.C\\_.2019.412.01.0012.01.ENG](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?toc=OJ%3AC%3A2019%3A412%3AFULL&uri=uriserv%3AOJ.C_.2019.412.01.0012.01.ENG)
- Signpost for the Future - Final Declaration of the 3rd European Youth Work Convention (2020):  
[https://www.bonn-process.net/downloads/publications/2/89567f5ed19ce0dc9732a4415bc256fd/3rd%20EYWC\\_final%20Declaration.pdf](https://www.bonn-process.net/downloads/publications/2/89567f5ed19ce0dc9732a4415bc256fd/3rd%20EYWC_final%20Declaration.pdf)
- EU and Council of Europe Partnership in the Field of Youth - Visible Value - Recognition of Youth Work:  
<https://pjp-eu.coe.int/en/web/youth-partnership/recognition>
- Youth Participation Strategy:  
<https://www.salto-youth.net/rc/participation/ypstrategy/>
- Youthpass Strategy  
<https://www.youthpass.eu/en/about-youthpass/youthpass-strategy/>

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