



# Addressing the challenges of Youth NEETs: Outreach, activation and inclusion



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## TARGET AUDIENCE

The course targets policy-makers and advisors from ministries of labour, education, youth and finance; officials of youth-led organizations; and representatives of workers' and employers' organizations.

## BACKGROUND

The creation of more and better jobs for young people is a key policy concern worldwide. In fact, youth remain confronted with a multifaceted employment challenge which embraces unemployment, under-employment, and low job quality, as well as working poverty, job insecurity and long transitions to stable and satisfactory employment. According to the ILO's *World Economic and Social Outlook: Trends 2019* report, more than one in five young people globally were neither in employment nor in education or training (NEET) in 2018, with 30 per cent of young women and 13 per cent of young men classified in this category.

The share of young people in the youth population who are neither in employment nor in education or training (the "NEET rate") has been given increasing importance by the international community given its potential to address a broad array of vulnerabilities among youth. Reducing youth NEET rates is one of the targets of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development under Goal 8 on "Promoting sustained, inclusive and sustainable growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all" (target 8.6 foresees a substantial reduction of youth NEET rates by 2020) and is also directly linked to SDG 4 on education and SDG 5 on gender equality.

The NEET rate is, however, an indicator which may be misunderstood and therefore misinterpreted, as it refers to a highly heterogeneous group including young people who are unemployed (without work and looking for work), unavailable to work due to illness, disability or family responsibilities, discouraged (available but not looking for work), or voluntarily inactive (waiting to re-enter employment, education or training, or inactive for some other reason). A correct understanding of the variety of circumstances underlying the NEET status is an essential precondition for the formulation of appropriate policy responses. In this respect, there is no one-size-fits-all solution and appropriate interventions will have to be tailored to the different sub-groups.

Jointly organized by Youth Employment Programme Unit and the International Training Centre of the ILO, this workshop will delve into notions, approaches, available policy instruments and examples of good practice, so as to inform future decision-making and operational efforts targeting young NEETs.

## OBJECTIVES

The workshop aims to support national capacities to formulate, implement and review policies and programmes for the labour market inclusion of young NEETs.

More specifically, by the end of the workshop, participants will have:

- Deepened their knowledge of the key characteristics and needs of the different NEET sub-groups
- Strengthened analytical capacity with regards to the determinants and characteristics of young NEETs
- Become familiarized with comprehensive approaches targeting young NEETs
- Reviewed the design and results of policy measures for early intervention, activation and labour market integration of young NEETs
- Shared experiences and insights from their respective countries and institutions.

## CONTENT

The five-day workshop is designed as a hands-on sequence of learning sessions covering analytical, policy and operational issues pertaining to the subjects treated.

### Day 1

*Special event:* Launch of ILO study on young NEET, with presentations and debates

### Day 2

Setting the scene: youth employment trends

Characterising youth NEET: risk factors and sub-groups

### Day 3

Policy instruments (including country cases):

- Early intervention measures
- Activation measures
- Labour market integration measures

### Day 4

The Youth Guarantee in Europe

Outreach strategies for discouraged and inactive young people

Monitoring and evaluation of policy interventions for young NEETs

### Day 5

Towards reducing youth NEET rates

## HOW TO APPLY

To register, please complete and submit the online registration form at your earliest convenience:

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Applicants are asked to attach to their form or send by email an official sponsorship letter issued by their institution (or a donor organization), stating that it will cover:

- the cost of the course (2,250 EUR) or an amount in Euro that may be considered by the institution or donor, if applying for a partial fellowship;
- the international travel between the country of origin and the Turin Centre.

Please note that only applications accompanied by these documents (online application form and official sponsorship letter) will be taken into consideration.

Deadline for application: 28 July 2019.

*The ITCILO has a limited number of fellowships for participants from developing countries. The fellowships may cover part of the subsistence and tuition fees but they do not include international travel. If eligible, early candidates will be given priority.*