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Can TVET deliver on its promise?

Assuring quality in TVET

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World in Motion

TVET is challenged by the social, political and economical challenges of the 21st Century:

- Increasing complexity within and outside of organisations (VUCA)
- New work, Co-opetition, pressure to innovate
- Radical transformation of markets and business models
- Industry 4.0, Deconstructed value chains
- Change in values, demographic change
- Regulatory frameworks, Compliance
- Information overflow, Digitalisation, Automatisation



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TVET in Motion

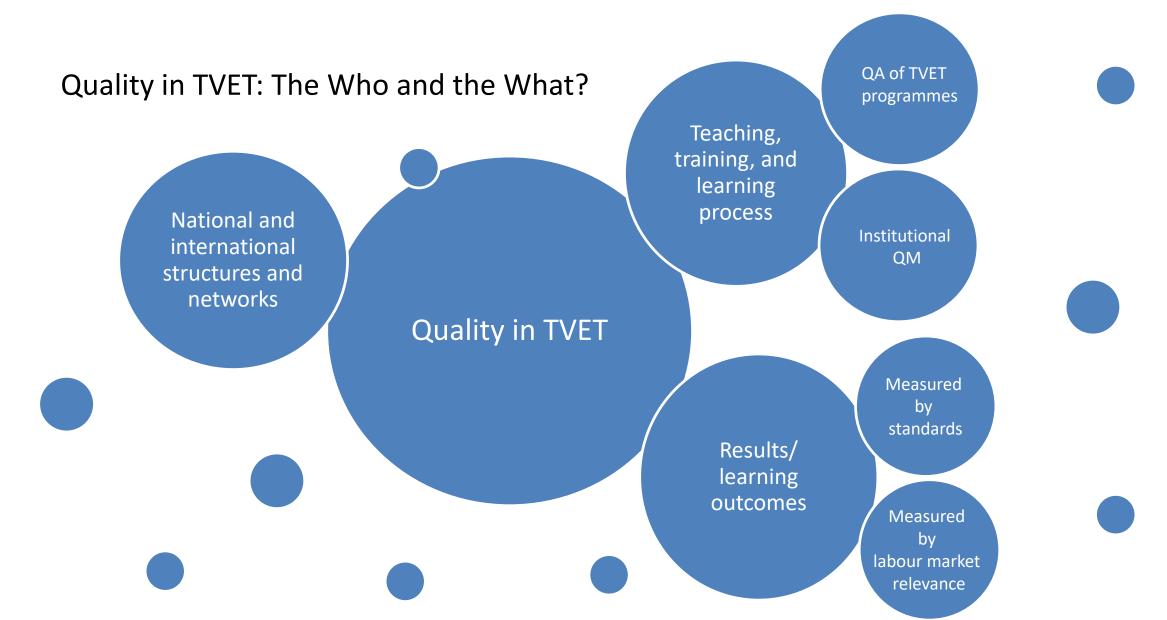
- TVET needs to challenge its basic assumptions and routines; Can TVET respond to global challenges?
- Transformation of TVET: Creating an allignment with social and economic disruptions
- Question(s): How?
 - More of the same?
 - Doing the same things better?
 - Forging new alliances and networks?







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What gets in the way of quality in international development regarding TVET?

- Unclear roles and responsibilities of TVET institutions
 - E.g. multiple ministries responsible for TVET (Education, Labour, Sectoral ministries)
 - Chambers and sectoral associations often don't consider TVET their responsibility
- Lack of communication and cooperation with the private sector
 - How can TVET respond to the labour market, if the business sector's demands are not known?
 - How can TVET be practice-oriented, if it does not take place within companies?
- International networks on TVET as a driver for mutual learning and development
 - E.g. UNESCO-UNEVOC (regional centres, database, Wikis)
 - Inter-Agency Working Group on TVET indicators





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Quality – A focal area of German development cooperation in TVET

Improving quality of learning outcomes

- Institutionalising cooperation between government and the private sector regarding governance, planning, financing and quality assurance of TVET
- Promoting systems of matching labour market demands with training programmes (labour market information systems, occupational standards, career guidance, etc.)

Improving quality of the learning process

- Strengthening cooperation between schools and companies (e.g. internships, workplace learning)
- Improving initial and further training of teaching and training staff (school teachers, workshop instructors, in-company trainers)
- Supporting infrastructure (machines, equipment)



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Actions to transform the quality of TVET – food for thought

- How can we make TVET ready for Industry 4.0?
- Make use of alliances and networks
 - Among donors
 - Among practitioners
 - With private sector actors
- Creating new forms of alliances between government and private sector actors to manage the complexity and the speed of change
- Initiate an inter-institutional dialogue to formulate a vision for transforming TVET
- Develop and make use of innovative funding modalities which allow for flexible implementation in the field
- Generate a consensus on quality as a normative, but at the same time, negotiable factor

