"Interaction between New Technologies and the Job Market, Flexicurity and Training/Vocational Training"

WORKSHOP

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Based on technological innovations new forms of division of labour have taken place with new local and global dimensions. These processes are still going on. In nearly all European countries these developments affect on the one hand the political and institutional framework of labour conditions. On the other hand these changes affect individual work profiles and the whole work organisation on different levels. The workshop will address the most important issues of the qualitative changes caused by these developments and then examine the importance for the development of labour markets. In order to meet the demands of local and global labour markets the question will be raised whether a political strategy like 'flexicurity' as well as improving training methods for employees can improve adaptability to the new situation.

Preliminary programme

Chair:

Pier Antonio Panzeri, MEP, member of the STOA Panel

Presentations followed by discussion on:

- 1. Interaction between technologies and labour markets. A critical perspective. Speaker: Gérard Valenduc FTU, Centre de recherche Travail & Technologies, Belgium
- 2. New demands for qualification and skills and the importance of vocational training.
 - Speaker: Monique Ramioul HIVA, Catholic University Leuven, Belgium
 - 3. Demand for flexibility and social consequences.

Speaker: To be confirmed

4. Flexicurity concept as political strategy. Experiences from the Netherlands.

Speaker: Ton Wilthagen - Tilburg University

5. Future development of labour markets: the prominent role of public policy.

Speaker: Jörg Flecker - FORBA, Wien

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