



Follow up actions from the 16th ESCO Board meeting and the Joint meeting of the ESCO Maintenance Committee and the ESCO Board

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Introduction

With this document the ESCO Secretariat (SEC) updates the ESCO Board (BOA) on the follow up actions of the 16th Board meeting and the Joint meeting of the ESCO Maintenance Committee (MAI) and the ESCO Board.

Follow up actions of the 16th ESCO Board meeting

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<i>The Commission will carry out a gap analysis process with some of the national occupational classifications (NOCs) by June.</i>	The Commission carried out the gap analysis against the following eight NOCs in April and May 2016. The Commission discussed the results of the gap analysis, including a list with the 221 new occupations, with the MAI on its 20 th MAI meeting (11 July 2016).
<i>The Directorate General for translations (DGT) will closely cooperate with the labour market experts that the Member States Working Group (MSWG) will suggest.</i>	During the second MSWG on 26 April 2016 the European Commission asked the Member States to appoint reference contact points for the translators in DGT in case the latter ones have questions about the translations. 27 Member States have followed this invitation and appointed contact points.
<i>The MAI and the BOA will meet in June in view of the results of the gap analysis and to review the content resulting from the online consultation.</i>	On 12 July 2016 a joint meeting took place between the MAI and the BOA preceded by the 20 th MAI meeting the previous day.
<i>The final version of the ESCO Communication strategy will be shared with the ESCO Board shortly after the meeting. At the same time, the Commission will share two graphic representations of ESCO with the ESCO Board for written feedback procedure.</i>	<p>The Commission shared the final version of the ESCO Communication Strategy 2016 – 2018 with the Board members on 4 April 2016. This strategy was also shared and discussed with the MSWG during their second meeting on 26 April 2016.</p> <p>The Commission shared a document which presents two options for the ESCO graphical representation and their rationale with the Board members as written procedure also on 26 April 2016.</p>

Follow up actions of the Joint meeting of the ESCO Maintenance Committee and the ESCO Board

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<i>Once ready, the Commission will share the technical non-paper on the future governance structure with the BOA and MAI.</i>	The Commission will share the non-paper with the BOA in preparation of the 17 th BOA meeting.
<i>In the next meetings of the BOA and MAI, the Commission will provide an update on the New Skills Agenda for Europe, including its governance structure.</i>	At the 17 th BOA meeting the Commission will provide an update.
<p><i>The Commission will add the information to the document '06 Recommendations of the ESCO Board and ESCO Maintenance Committee for the development of ESCO' that is available on the following topics:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>- concerns raised by the BOA and MAI which lead to the recommendations they made, especially from the perspective of testing or piloting these recommendations.</i> <i>- the impact of the results of testing and pilots on the recommendations and the decisions taken by the Commission.</i> <i>- reference to the dates the BOA and MAI made its recommendations.</i> <i>- reference to the dates the Commission started with the implementation of the BOA and MAI recommendations.</i> 	The Commission will update the document accordingly and share it with the BOA and MAI.
<i>The Commission will inform the MSWG, BOA and MAI to direct all questions deriving from the MSWG consultation to the ESCO Secretariat functional mailbox</i>	The Commission informed the three groups accordingly.
<i>The Commission will inform the EURES team on the joint meeting's feedback with regards to the use of NACE rev2 on the EURES platform.</i>	The ESCO team and the EURES team discussed the recommendations of the MAI regarding the use of NACE rev 2. Following this, the Commission consulted the MAI on different possibilities to further structure the skills pillar of ESCO.
<i>The Commission will liaise with the Member States using ROME to understand how they use thematic areas to cluster occupations.</i>	The Commission collected information on examples of good practice from some employment services including the thematic areas of ROME.

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<i>Both BOA and MAI will look into the pre-release version of ESCO v1 as distributed for consultation by the MSWG and inform the Commission on possible issues with the aim to have all resolved before 1 September 2016.</i>	The Commission took into account the feedback received for the finalisation of the OCCs.
<i>The Commission will revisit the Dutch terminological guidelines to ensure terminological guidelines are included for sectors and occupations which exist in Flanders only.</i>	The Commission verified that these guidelines are already included in the terminological guidelines.
<i>The Commission will revisit the gap analysis report to ensure correct reflection of the NOCs in it.</i>	The Commission liaised with the MAI members to ensure their feedback was reflected in the report.
<i>The Commission will follow up with the custodians of the NOCs for feedback on their classifications and the validation of the gap analysis.</i>	The Commission is in the process of sharing reports with the custodians of the NOCs which will list the newly created occupations deriving from their NOC. This will enable readers to have a clearer grasp of the results and, if applicable, to provide additional feedback.
<i>The Commission will clarify the criteria used for excluding national or international experts during the development of ESCO v1 and how feedback will be given to the experts involved in the work of the last 16 sectors on their input.</i>	The Commission reviewed all applications and rejected the ones which misunderstood the purpose of the online consultation, e.g. people who were accessing the platform to look for a job or people who wanted to sell the Commission their products or services.
<i>Before the ending of their current mandate, MAI and BOA will present the Commission at the end of 2016 a common list of their final recommendations for the future of ESCO (3 pillars). Before the next BOA meeting the MAI could prepare a first draft of this list.</i>	The BOA members will have the opportunity to formulate final recommendations at the 17 th BOA meeting. The MAI members will also have the opportunity to do so at the 22 nd meeting.
<i>The Commission will inform the stakeholders on the relation between ESCO and Directive 2005/36/EC (as amended by Directive 2013/55/EU).</i>	The Commission will take this recommendation into account on any future communication with the public.
<i>The Commission will publish the presentations of the joint meeting on the ESCO Portal shortly.</i>	The presentations were uploaded to ESCOpedia.
<i>The Commission will update the MAI on the translation progress and time line in the 21st MAI-meeting.</i>	The Commission provided an update in the 21 st MAI meeting. Additionally, the Commission presented a risk mitigation plan on translations at the 21 st MAI meeting.
<i>In its communication to the wider public, the Commission will make a clear distinction between the ESCO website, the ESCO classification and services supported by the ESCO classification.</i>	The Commission will continue to take this advice into account in the future communication with stakeholders.

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<p><i>The Commission and MAI will prepare a briefing for the BOA, MAI and MSWG with the overall quality assurance process for ESCO v1, including an overview of the quality assurance measures before release of ESCO v1. In addition, the Commission and MAI will cooperate to define quality indicators for post-release.</i></p>	<p>At the 17th BOA meeting the MAI and the Commission will present a document on the overview of the quality assurance actions for ESCO v1. During the 21st MAI meeting the Commission discussed with the MAI how to define quality indicators for post-release. The Commission will take the feedback of the MAI into account to develop a proposal which will be presented at the 22nd MAI meeting.</p>
<p><i>The Commission will inform the MSWG on the communication sent to the EURES advisors with regards to the MSWG consultation.</i></p>	<p>The Commission informed the MSWG on 13 July 2016 on this communication.</p>
<p><i>Next to the pre-release-portal, the Commission will support the MSWG consultation with the delivery of the ESCO v1 data in excel format and share it with the MSWG, BOA and MAI.</i></p>	<p>The Commission made the Excel available on the pre-release portal.</p>
<p><i>During the next BOA meeting, the Commission will provide an update on the Europass revision. The Commission will discuss internally upon the BOA and MAI proposal to make the 17th ESCO Board meeting in Berlin a joint meeting as well. When a decision is taken, the Commission will inform BOA and MAI on it.</i></p>	<p>At the 17th BOA meeting the Commission will provide an update on the Europass decision.</p>