

# The impact of labour migration on Vocational Education and Training (VET) in sending countries

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## Call for Abstracts

While migration policy research and skill formation studies have blossomed individually, the analytical linkage of the two strands remains sparse. The unprecedented European East-West migration flows imply new challenges for VET-systems, potentially altering employers' hiring of skilled labour, the provision of apprenticeships as well as learners' preferences. Large-scale movements of skilled labour have thus potentially far-reaching consequences for VET-systems within several industries in both sending and receiving countries.

In the pursuit of such knowledge, we propose to arrange a two-day conference in Poland – one of the biggest sending countries of skilled labour. The main aim of the conference is to identify responses and patterns of skill formation and VET-systems that have arisen as a consequence of the mass outflow of skilled labour in several Eastern European countries. The workshop is part of the project Moving trades: Skill formation and the role of national vocational training in transnational European labour markets, funded by the Research Council of Norway.

To illuminate these issues and provide basis for an informed, knowledge based public debate about possible ways to proceed, we invite scholars of different academic backgrounds that have completed/are in the process of conducting/are particularly interested in the impact of labour migration on national skill formation systems in sending countries.

The conference is free of charge. The organising research institute (Fafo) can cover the travel costs for a limited number of participants.

The event takes place at, and is organised in cooperation with SGH Warsaw School of Economics, Warsaw, Poland.

The closing date for short abstracts: 1 March 2019

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