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**EUROPEAN NETWORK ON TEACHER EDUCATION POLICIES**

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*Dear Colleagues,*

1. **ENTEP meeting and seminar will take place on 17 and 18 November 2000, at rue Danton, n° 4, in Paris.** As referred in my e-mail of 2 October, thanks to the support of the French Presidency, our next meeting and seminar will be held next month in France. Please let me know if you will be able to attend in case that you haven't done it yet.

*i) ENTEP meeting, 17 Nov., 9.30-12.30 hrs, at rue Danton, n° 4, in Paris.* This is the meeting of the representatives of the Ministers and of the European Commission.

The agenda will opportunely be sent to all colleagues and suggestions of issues to be included there are welcome.

*ii) ENTEP seminar, 17 Nov, 14.30-18.00 hrs and 18 Nov, 9.30-12.30 hrs, at rue Danton, n° 4, in Paris* The seminar will be on *Teacher education and mobility*. It is expected that the French Ministry of Education produces an introductory document ending with questions or issues to which the ENTEP representatives would be prepared to written or orally present their countries situation regarding those questions or issues.

I am trying also to have there an expert of the European Commission addressing the relevant issues of this seminar's thematic.

This seminar's participants will be the ENTEP representatives of the Ministers and of the European Commission and one expert by each Ministry of Education.

*iii) Working language of the meeting and seminar.* There will be no simultaneous translation available. We will try to understand each other.

*iv) Practical information.* Thanks to the French Presidency support to our Network, the French Ministry of Education will provide for a room for the ENTEP meeting and seminar, and for a secretariat for these events as well as will support the expenses of three meals (lunch and diner on Friday and lunch on Saturday) and coffee breaks.

The travel and accommodation expenses will be supported by the participants. Further on information will be sent concerning the contact person to help us with the room reservations at our own expenses.

2. **ENTEP relations with other European countries.** Following their participation in the Loulé Conference, I have sent a letter to all participants from the countries of Eastern and Central Europe as well as for those of the European Economic Area. I remind that there were present participants from Estonia, Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Iceland and Norway.

In this letter I sent them formally our Framework drawing their attention to the mention there included that our Network will endeavour to involve other European countries in its activities and inviting them to report this to their Ministers. I also expressed the interest of our Network in receiving regular information concerning teacher education policies in their countries. I will keep you informed on replies and documentation received from these countries.

3. **ENTEP relations with other Networks or Associations.** I have sent a letter to other Networks, Associations or other institutions

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with who may be interesting for ENTEP to exchange information and documentation.

This letter presented them the ENTEP, sent our Framework and expressed interest in receiving regular information on their activities as well as availability to inform them about the ones of ENTEP. Received this letter the following institutions, but in case that you know any others with interest, please let me know and I will contact them on behalf of ENTEP.

- i) Committee on Culture, Youth, Education, the Media and Sports of the European Parliament;
- ii) European Trade Union Committee for Education;
- iii) Thematic Network of Teacher Education in Europe;
- iv) Confederation of European Union Rectors' Conferences;
- v) European Agency for Development in Special Needs Education;
- vi) Réseau Européen des Responsables des Politiques d'Évaluation des Systèmes éducatifs;
- vii) The Standing International Conference of Central and General Inspectorates of Education;
- viii) European Network for Quality Assurance;
- ix) National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification;
- x) Center for Educational Reserach and Innovation of O.E.C.D.;
- xi) Réseau Eurydice of the European Union;
- xii) Division of Higher Education of UNESCO;
- xiii) European Network of the National Councils of Education

Replied to this letter the European Trade Union Committee for Education and Eurydice, both informed to support our initiative, expressed interest in receiving regular information on ENTEP's activities and informed that our Network has been put in their mailing lists to receive documentation whenever it is available.

4. **NASDTEC's Proposal.** Other reply received to the letter mentioned above came from the *National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification* of the U.S.A. where is referred that "*The Executive Board of NASDTEC applauds the establishment of ENTEP and looks forward to*

*exploring ways in which we can work together. Since many states are now importing teachers from your member states, we are very interested in issues such as licence reciprocity and criminal background checks.*

*The Executive Committee has established a subcommittee to dialogue with you on these issues and any others that you find to be appropriate."* I suggest that we discuss this proposal during our next ENTEP meeting in Paris.

5. **European Parents Association.** This European association addressed the ENTEP Coordination the invitation to participate in the colloquium *Training of teachers on partnership relations with parents*, to be held in Paris on 6 and 7 October 2000. As I received this invitation only one week before the Conference I replied informing about the impossibility to participate in this event due to the moment in which the invitation has been made, but expressing interest in receiving documentation arising from the colloquium. You will opportunely receive information on this subject in case that any of this documentation is received.

6. **Manuel Romano's proposals.** Our colleague representative of the European Commission presented me orally the proposal to make a survey concerning the requirements of each Member-State to the recognition of in-service teacher education obtained in the other Member-States. This idea would also involve the study of the possibility of creation of an *on line* data base with information on the opportunities of in-service teacher education programmes existing in each Member-State open to participants from the others.

7. **Other national reports received after Loulé.** Please find enclosed three other national reports received after Loulé: the German report produced by Michael Krüger, the Greek report produced by Sarantos Psycharis and the Spanish report produced by Isabel Couso Tapia.

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8. ***Exchange of information and documentation within the Network:***

i) *Trends in Dutch teacher education.* Our colleague Angelique van der Hoek distributed a book on *Trends in Dutch teacher education* containing updated information on teacher education in her country.

ii) *Portuguese Decree-laws on the accreditation Institute and the accreditation system.* Portugal produced its first Note sent in September to all ENTEPE colleagues. This Note included two documents in English on teacher education policies in this country: the *Organic Law of the National Institute for Accreditation of Teacher Education* and the *General Framework for the Accreditation System for Initial Teacher Education Programmes.*

iii) The National Institute for Accreditation of Teacher Education (*Instituto Nacional de Acreditação da Formação de Professores – INAFOP*) of Portugal has its homepage with information available in English at the following web site address:  
[http://www.inafop.pt/site\\_i/](http://www.inafop.pt/site_i/)

9. ***ENTEPE Homepage's address.*** As I referred in the first ENTEPE Coordination Note, our Network's homepage has been produced and is available at the following web site address:

[http://www.inafop.pt/site\\_i/entep.html](http://www.inafop.pt/site_i/entep.html)

I hope you enjoy visiting our site and all comments and suggestions to improve it are most welcome.

10. ***SOCRATES General call for Proposals 2001.***

It has been published in 27 September and contains useful information, namely on the *Accompanying Measures* where is possible to present proposals for co-funding of ENTEPE meetings and seminars. The deadlines referred to these proposals are 1 April 2001 and 1 August 2001.

With my best regards and looking forward to meet you next month in Paris,

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