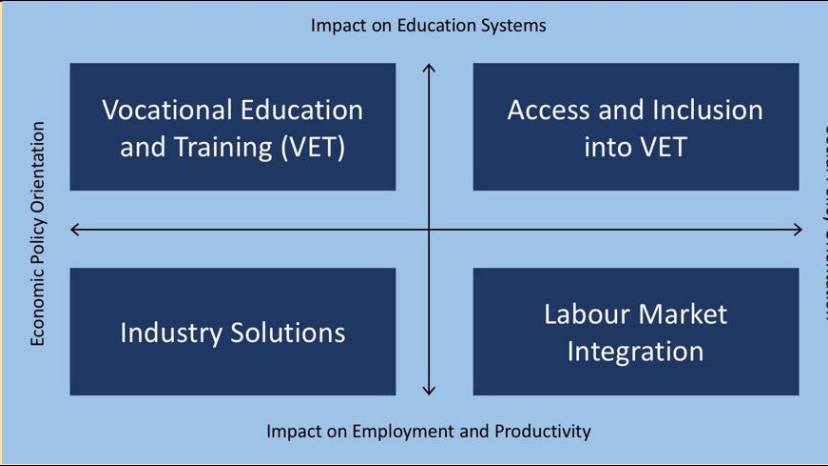


Summary of Webinar on the VSD Typology Tool

<p>Date: 12th Nov 2018 Time: 11:00 –12:00 (CET) Language: English Moderators: Katharina Walker (HELVETAS), Annett Hilpert (INBAS) Presenters: Brigitte Colarte-Dürr (SDC) Roman Troxler (KEK CDC), Sonila Limaj (SD4E Albania)</p>	
<p>Participants: 35 Persons (SDC Staff, Project Staff, Consultants, VSD Subject Matter Experts) 69% from Europe and Eastern Europe: Albania, Kosovo, Moldova, Georgia, Germany, Switzerland, 15% from Asia: Bangladesh, Cambodia, Myanmar, Mongolia, the Kyrgyz Republic, 12% from Africa: Uganda, Zimbabwe and 4% from Latin / South America: Haiti</p>	

Rational of the Webinar

The intention of this webinar and the subsequent e-discussion (13th to 16th of Nov 2018) is to present and disseminate the VSD Typology Tool Set that was developed by the SDC employment & income Focal Point in collaboration with subject matter experts. The 3 Typology Tools are the response to the demand expressed by the country offices for instruments to improve the results of our VSD investments. This webinar and the subsequent e-discussion are crucial steps in the validation and finalization process of the tools to become handy instruments for project planning, design, implementation and evaluation.

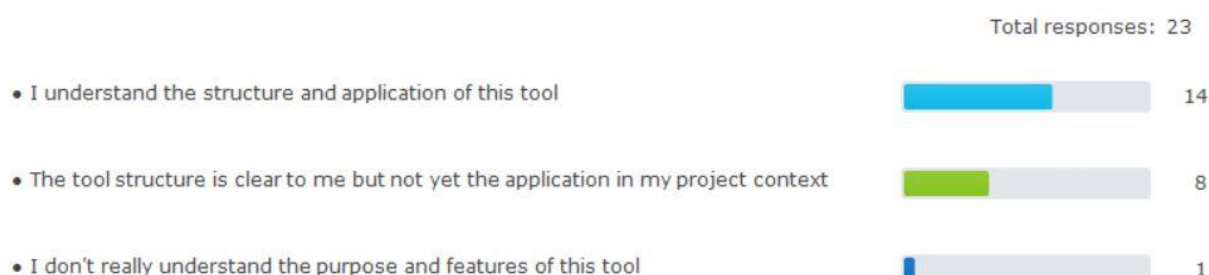
Opening Statement from SDC, Employment & income Focal Point, Ms. Brigitte Colarte-Dürr on the Development Process of the VSD Typology Tools

The vocational skills development(VSD) portfolio of SDC has been growing exponentially in the last couple of years. The number of projects has almost tripled and we are now present in more than 85% of all SDC priority countries with VSD interventions. VET is – together with basic education – a priority of the current dispatch 2017-2020 on international cooperation and we should reach an increase of 50% in investments for VSD and/or basic education within this period. VSD is also a very complex topic, as it can contribute to different policy areas and thus be anchored in different portfolios or domains in your operations. With the multiplication of VSD projects and taking into account SDC's broad definition of VSD spanning from formal vocational education and training to non-formal labour market integration through short training programs, we saw a need for clarification and guidance on the different project types. The tools should help to **foster a common understanding on the main impact areas and outcomes** and a better **management of VSD project portfolios** or project components. Furthermore, we hope that through the application of the tools, we can contribute **to improved project results, improved advisory services and a better understanding on the cooperation with the private sector in each project type, as well as on the governance implications.**

Feedback on the Typology Tool

During this webinar 2 polls were launched and the results show that the presented tools generate a positive response in the user community. Here are the results:

How understandable and applicable is the VSD Typology Tool (Basic Tool) to you?



Do you think the VSD Typology Tool is applicable in your work / project context?



Clustered Key Points, Questions and Comments of Webinar Participants

There was an active contribution of the webinar participants in the chat. The facilitator team summarized the key points and clustered them in **thematic topics** for the e-discussion. Every thematic topic will be introduced by a set of guiding questions in the morning of the respective day by an e-mail to the VSD dgroup community.

Day of e-Discussion	Thematic Topic in Focus
1 (13.11.18)	Aspects of VSD Typology Tool Application (Basic Tool 1/3: Impact Areas)
2 (14.11.18)	VSD Typology Tool 3/3 "Collaborating with the Private Sector in VSD"
3 (15.11.18)	VSD Typology Tool 2/3 "Governance in VSD"
4 (16.11.18)	Other Topics of Interest (arising during the e-discussion)

Input Papers and Presentations for download:

The following input papers and presentations were delivered during the webinar and can be downloaded from the SDC [shareweb](#)

- (1) **Input papers:** VSD Typology Tool 1/3 "Impact Areas of VSD" (Basic tool) and VSD Typology; Tool 3/3 "Collaborating with the Private Sector in VSD" (draft)
- (2) **Matthias Jäger: Introduction to the VSD Typology Tool** (Basic tool 1/3) – video file
- (3) **Sonila Limaj and Annett Hilpert: Case Study Albania** (an exercise on the practical application of the VSD Typology Tool 1/3 in the country context of Albania (embedded in the webinar PPT)
- (4) Webinar **Power Point Presentation**

Remark by the webinar facilitators: The initially announced recording of the webinar failed due to technical problems. We apologize for this inconvenience and we will make sure that the documentation of the webinar will compensate it.