

# Developments: Focus on basic skills and digitalisation

According to EAEAs member in Liechtenstein, Stiftung Erwachsenenbildung (the foundation), the situation of adult education and learning (ALE) has stayed the same in comparison to last year. There are nine major adult education providers in Liechtenstein.

The Stiftung fr Erwachsenenbildung participated in different consultations with various organisations past year, including the European Basic Skills Network (ESBN), the European Association for the Education of Adults (EAEA) and the International Adult Education Association (ICAE).

## Country reports of the European Commission

According to EAEAs member, the country reports of the European Commission reflect the adult education situation of ALE in Liechtenstein very well. Moreover, the adult education programmes and projects in Liechtenstein aim to address issues indicated in the country reports.

## Financing adult education

In Liechtenstein, adult education is mainly funded through project and programme funding, operating grants and vouchers. According to EAEAs member, the funding situation of adult education in Liechtenstein has stayed the same in comparison to last year.

CONFINTEA VII

Civil society from Liechtenstein was involved in the preparatory process of the CONFINTEA conference. The foundation sees CONFINTEA as an important process from a civil society perspective and a concrete tool to develop adult education, but it is not sufficiently taken into account in national policymaking.

## Sustainability

The foundation would like to develop a strategy to promote sustainability at operational level and in their work procedures, but finds it difficult to start. Overall, there is still potential for further implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals in the ALE sector in Liechtenstein.

## Current plans

As national coordinator of the European Agenda for Adult Education, the foundation will facilitate an EU project to implement the agenda. Moreover, the foundations focus areas are lifelong learning, basic skills, and digitalisation.

## Policy recommendation

Stiftung Erwachsenenbildung would like the government of Liechtenstein to raise awareness of the importance of lifelong learning and provide the necessary financial resources for adult education.

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