

Executive summary
Opinion of the Chamber of Deputies on
Proposal for a Council Recommendation on tracking graduates
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The Chamber of Deputies welcomes the implementation of Council conclusions on entrepreneurship in education and training, through which the Member States agreed to use the information on tracking graduates, assessing the quality, efficiency of education and training in matters of entrepreneurship, as well as the proposal to collect comparable data at EU level on the results of the graduates on their career paths.

It also recommends stepping up efforts to inform stakeholders about the European standards and guidelines - for quality assurance in the European Higher Education Area (EHEA) and the European Quality Assurance Reference Framework for Vocational Education and Training (EQAVET) — for enhancing their accessibility. Moreover, the personal data should be respected in the application of the proposed initiative, therefore calls on the Commission to take all necessary steps to reduce risks of infringement of the legislation in this area. The information to be collected should include data on graduates taking up business and basic data on the degree of autonomy of schools and financing arrangements, possibly in cooperation with the European network Eurydice, for comparing Member States' education systems with other successful education systems from outside Europe. To this end it is proposed to establish a procedural mechanism.

The Chamber of Deputies would stress that human resource in education systems should be supported at Union level, especially in Member States with weaker results, ensuring both the proper development of the proposed procedure and interpretation of the data collected in order to develop common area of education and national systems.