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Bertelsmann Stiftung: A continuing focus on the transitional system

Several hundred thousand young people are leaving school only to find themselves in the so-called “transitional system,” because no regular trainee position is available. However, the term “transitional system” is misleading in two respects: Only rarely does the patchwork quilt of measures that are in place actually facilitate the transition from school to the world of employment – and it largely lacks any kind of system. Bertelsmann Stiftung will continue to address this problem. The initiative “A system for transitions” is intended to promote reforms that will eliminate the tangled set of measures that are in place today and improve opportunities for young people to enter training. Subsequent issues of the newsletter will provide updates on this initiative.

Further information:

Link to Youth and Work page

<http://www.bertelsmann-stiftung.de/YouthandWork>

Link to Transition Management page

http://www.bertelsmann-stiftung.de/cps/rde/xchg/SID-7BD9F973-BE77E47B/bst_engl/hs.xsl/prj_17699_31004.htm



**Documentation from the conference in Leipzig on
“Vocational training in 2015”**

The results of the March 2009 conference are documented in a collection of photographs. What comes next? Building on the results of the “Vocational training 2015” process, Bertelsmann Stiftung plans to concentrate its efforts in the field of vocation training on activities to facilitate transitions at the first threshold level.

Further information:

http://www.bertelsmann-stiftung.de/bst/de/media/xcms_bst_dms_28752_28753_2.pdf



Publication: “Vocational Orientation Handbook”

To be published in August 2009. The Vocational Orientation Handbook, which has been tested in a variety of school types, is a practical guide for secondary schools throughout Germany. It is helpful in developing and implementing a comprehensive approach to vocational and academic planning.

Further information:

http://www.bertelsmann-stiftung.de/cps/rde/xchg/SID-8AECE2B7-F64C591D/bst/hs.xsl/publikationen_96459.htm



Publication: “Promoting Entrepreneurship! An International Comparison of Youth Entrepreneurship Policy”

“Promoting Entrepreneurship!” presents an international comparison highlighting successful policies for promoting youth entrepreneurship. Recognizing that entrepreneurial initiative is a key competence, the most successful countries have integrated the topic of entrepreneurship into their approaches to learning and teaching. These examples of best practices offer a model for Germany.

Further information:

http://www.bertelsmann-stiftung.de/cps/rde/xchg/SID-F6865A6F-4070D22B/bst/hs.xsl/publikationen_95775.htm



European Lifelong Learning Indicators (ELLI)

Discover Europe's learning environments.
The online portal for lifelong learning in the European Union.

Further information:

http://www.bertelsmann-stiftung.de/cps/rde/xbcr/SID-70AFCEAB-1E59EEFF/bst/1ELLI_english.pdf



Interview in the Neue Westfälische Zeitung: “Happiness must be learned”

Dr. Ulrich Schoof explains why happiness is becoming more important to us than our gross domestic product.

Further information:

http://www.bertelsmann-stiftung.de/cps/rde/xbcr/SID-A52B16D2-B02BAFDD/bst/xcms_bst_dms_27793_27794_2.pdf



Publication: “Why Learning Makes People Happy” – A new perspective on lifelong learning

In our new book “Why Learning Makes People Happy,” experts examine a holistic view of learning and what this requires of each individual, as well as what it means for reforms in educational, labor market and employment policy.

Further information:

http://www.bertelsmann-stiftung.de/cps/rde/xchg/SID-7FEAC4C9-3F0AC082/bst/hs.xsl/publikationen_88092.htm



Initiative for Employment! Company competition 2009/2010

For the fourth time, this competition seeks to demonstrate that even in a time of economic difficulties, many companies in Germany are able to open up new options for their workforce, support young workers and offer opportunities to new employees, regardless of their age or background.

Further information:

Flier for the "Create employment – Businesses take responsibility" competition
http://www.bertelsmann-stiftung.de/cps/rde/xbcr/SID-8AAC39B9-048BA6E4/bst/xcms_bst_dms_29028_29047_2.pdf

Press release on the "Create employment – Businesses take responsibility" competition
<http://www.bertelsmann-stiftung.de/cps/rde/xbcr/SID-8AAC39B9-048BA6E4/bst/Beschaefigung%20gestalten%20PM%20zum%20Auftakt.pdf>

<http://www.initiative-fuer-beschaefigung.de/>

http://www.bmas.de/coremedia/generator/13834/beschaefigung_gestalten_einleitung.html

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