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1. Germany – Selected Aspects

- Internationalisation Agenda and Bologna Process
- The tradition of VET and work based learning
- The role of practical training in Higher Education
2. EU and Erasmus+

- New EU Programme Generation 2014-2020
- Modernisation agenda as political framework
- Traineeships part of transnational mobility schemes (2-12 months, every cycle)
- International dimension includes rest of the world
- As of 2016 international dimension also applicable to traineeships
3. The role Practical Training/Traineeships in HEIs Germany – Case Study Bavaria and Universities of Applied Sciences

- Education and Federalism
- Bavaria: Practical Training of around 5 months as built-in element of BA degree of 3.5 years (University of Applied Sciences)
- Stakeholders involved: sending university, host organisation and student
- Compulsory or voluntary traineeships
- Diploma Supplement can give more information
- Tradition of work certificates for practical training periods
4. Traineeships and Networks on national and European level

- The tradition of (dual) partnerships in VET in Germany
- EU Programmes: **HE consortia** since end of 80s regional = university consortia to build synergies for outgoing and incoming traineeship mobility across Europe (e.g. KOOR/BEST)
- **University-business forum** on EU level on the initiative of the European Commission (at least once a year/Brussels)
- Networks on EU level e.g. on practical matters and to secure quality of traineeships **LEONET** (association registered with Secretariat at TU Eindhoven with around 100 universities/consortia)
Thank you for your attention.
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