

Peer Review

Review of: "Enhancing Vocational Education and Training in the UK Through Youth Mobility Schemes"

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This is a very interesting and highly relevant paper providing much valuable information about the development of VET and Youth Mobility Schemes in the UK. The only aspect for improvement could be the strengthening of the conceptual linkage between the structural parts of the paper. Parts 1, 2, and 3 discuss the development of VET policies and curricula in the UK by providing a well-grounded critical policy review and evaluation of the key institutional developments. These are very interesting parts, rich with valuable information. Nevertheless, the part "4. Youth Mobility Schemes" seems to be somehow detached from the other parts, with the links between them being rather fragmented (one paragraph in this part briefly refers to the potentially positive impact of youth mobilities on addressing the shortages of VET provision in the UK). Here, it can be suggested to provide a more clear explanation of the relationships between the discussed VET policies and curriculum developments and the implementation of the youth mobilities by addressing, for example, the questions of international comparability of the VET curricula, qualifications, and VET systems, usage of the different transparency tools, etc. The paper could better integrate the discussion on the implementation of the Youth Mobility Schemes with the critical review of specific VET policy developments.

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