Necessary conditions for the implementation of ECVET

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- Growing number of skilled craft enterprises involved in foreign trade and commerce (in Germany approximately 50,000)

- International know-how will be a cornerstone for the competitiveness of many skilled craft enterprises in the future

- Consequence => higher demand of staff with international competences in skilled crafts sector

- UEAPME supports European initiatives promoting transnational mobility in VET
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- What’s already (or on the way to be) achieved:
  - Shift from Input to **Output** in VET is a common European development => sound basis for more transparency of qualifications
  - Growing awareness for the development of **partnerships** between stakeholders in the context of transnational mobility => fosters mutual trust between relevant stakeholders in VET
Challenges:

- ECVET-points have no added value yet
- Assessment is worthwhile for mid- and long-term mobility projects, not for short-term mobility projects (cost-benefit-ratio)
- To some extend ECVET collides with national regulations as far as a binding credit transfer to national exams or parts of exams, is concerned

=> flexible approach is necessary!
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- Units of Learning outcomes
- ECVET-points
- Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)
- Learning agreement and personal transcript
- Assessment, Validation and recognition of learning outcomes
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- ECVET is useful
  - to improve the transparency of qualifications
  - to implement institutional partnerships for transnational mobility
  - to foster the quality and the acceptance of transnational mobility

- Not all principles of ECVET have proven practicality

- ECVET is a set of instruments which makes the organisation of mobility easier, but it has to be complemented by a network of professional “mobility-facilitators”
Thank you for your attention!

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