

# Youth in transition



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## **IO6 - Pathway (chain responsibility)**

**DENMARK**

**Level: local/municipal**

**VET-council for NEET-affairs**

### *Rationale:*

NEET-youth\* is a heterogeneous group of young people who, due to personal, medical and/or social difficulties, are not established on the labor market, one reason being that they find it difficult to learn in mainstream education establishments, particular academic ones – thus, their professional/career path is jeopardized from the start. VET, with its flexible formats and inherent connections to employer communities, can easier adjust to NEET-realities, for example by enhancing individual mentor support both at school and during on-the-job vocational training. The coherent municipal youth effort ("Sammenhængende kommunale ungeindsats – KUI") must involve and commit VET and the local business community in a chain responsibility for the NEET's educational pathway.

### *Recommendation:*

Responsible municipal body (KUI) initiates and holds regular meetings of a VET-council for NEET-affairs where all municipal VET providers, representatives of employer community and business associations are members. Regular council meetings (fx. 3 per year) ensure structured continuous dialogues/consultations between the parties. The council even supports benchmarking and learning between the VET providers and employers that develops different NEET integration models. Finally, the council monitors relevant local policy environment and where needed takes initiative in new policy development.

### *Current legislation:*

["Bekendtgørelse af lov om kommunal indsats for unge under 25 år"](#)

\* NEET is an acronym that stands for "Not in Education, Employment, or Training". It refers to a person who is unemployed, not in school or vocational training.