

To
Mr. Koos Richelle
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European Commission
B-1049 Brussels

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Dear Mr. Richelle,

In view of the second stage consultation of European social partners on a Quality Framework for Traineeships launched on 5 December 2012, I wish to send you the UEAPME reply.

In line with our reply to the first-stage consultation, UEAPME reaffirms its willingness for a social dialogue solution on the issue of traineeships.

Taking into account the diversity of traineeships UEAPME is open to a joint recommendation to national level actors within the framework of actions on youth employment, which specifically refers to traineeships in the context of learning.

Including traineeships within the current negotiations on the framework of actions on youth employment is the right way forward, given their contribution to providing to young people skills and competences needed on the labour market.

Yours sincerely,

Original signed by

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