



MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
SPORT AND YOUTH



Republic of Cyprus

# Bologna Following Up Group Meeting

Nicosia 9-10 March 2026



# Overarching Priorities of the CY Presidency

- **Strengthening the Southern Neighbourhood**  
*(which includes the broader Middle East and Gulf countries)*
- **Addressing Migration**
- **Enhancing Enlargement Policy**
- **Ensuring Maritime Security**
- **Improving Cross-border Connectivity**
- **Supporting Innovation in the Primary Sector**
- **Dealing with Climate Change**



# Priorities in the Field of Education and Training (foreseen)

- **Strengthening Basic Skills**  
(in relation to the Basic Skills Action Plan and the Union of Skills strategy)
- **Empowering Teachers**  
(in relation to the expected Teachers Agenda)
- **Advancing Higher Education and VET**
- **Negotiating the Future of Erasmus+**



# Priorities in Higher Education

- **Internationalisation and Sustainable Cross-border Institutional Collaboration**
- **Enhancing Mobility in Higher Education**
- **Advancing the Development of a Joint European Degree Framework**
- **Union of Skills for Social Inclusion / Accessibility in Higher Education**
- **Upskilling and Reskilling in Higher Education in Alignment with the Labour Market**



# CY Presidency Events (1/2)

## **High Level Group on Education and Training**

1-2/12/2025, Municipality of Nicosia, Nicosia

## **Informal Meeting of Education Ministers**

29-30/1/2026, Filoxenia Conference Center, Nicosia

## **Meeting of Directors-General for Schools (DG Schools)**

18-19/2/2026, Filoxenia Conference Center, Nicosia

## **6th International Conference 'Literacies and Contemporary Societies'**

24-25/2/2026, Filoxenia Conference Center, Nicosia

## **Bologna Follow Up Group Meeting (BFUG)**

9-10/3/2026, Filoxenia Conference Center, Nicosia

## **Meeting of Directors-General for Vocational Education Training (DGVT)**

30-31/3/2026, Municipality of Nicosia



# CY Presidency Events (2/2)

## **Whole School Approach (WSA) for Education for Sustainable Development (ESD)**

7-8/5/2026, Filoxenia Conference Center, Nicosia

## **EYCS Council (Brussels)**

11-12/5/2026

## **Meeting of Directors-General for Higher Education (DG HE)**

20-21/5/2026, Filoxenia Conference Center, Nicosia

## **Meeting of the Education Committee - Attaché Trip**

11-12/6/2026, Limassol

## **Standing Group on Indicators and Benchmarks (SGIB)**

24-25/6/2026, Filoxenia Conference Center, Nicosia

## **European Training Foundation (ETF) Conference**

24-25/6/2026, Filoxenia Conference Center, Nicosia



# Bologna Follow Up Group Meeting (BFUG)

## Nicosia 9-10 of March 2026



# Filoxenia Conference Center, Nicosia



A large group of graduates in black gowns and caps are celebrating. Many have their arms raised in the air, and several black graduation caps are seen flying through the sky. The scene is set against a clear, bright blue sky. The graduates are looking upwards with expressions of joy and excitement.

We look forward to welcoming you to Cyprus!