



Interim evaluation of the EEA

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European Education Area – what and why?



genuine common space for
quality education and
lifelong learning across
borders for all



everyone in the EU to have
access to quality education
and training



more resilient and inclusive
national education and
training systems

European Education Area – how?



**Quality, equity, inclusion
& success for all in
education and training**



**Reinforcing European
higher education**



**Green and digital
transitions in and through
education and training**



**Making lifelong learning
& mobility a reality for all**



**Teachers & trainers
- enhancing competences &
motivation in the education
profession**



**Geopolitical dimension
- education as part
of a stronger
Europe in the world**

European Education Area – when?

- 2017: Social Summit in Gothenburg, Sweden
- 2018/2019: first packages of measures
- 2020: **Commission Communication** on achieving the European Education Area by 2025
- 2021: Council Resolution
 - on a **strategic framework** for European cooperation in education and training for the period 2021-2030
 - on the **governance structure** of the strategic framework for European cooperation in education and training towards the European Education Area and beyond (2021-2030)
- Nov 2022: **progress report** package
- 2023: **EEA midterm review process**
 - Council Resolution on the **European Education Area: Looking to 2025 and beyond**
 - EEA midterm review process event & report
 - 6th **European Education Summit**

EEA interim evaluation

- **aim:** assessment of progress (impact of efforts) towards the EEA
- **key elements:**
 - strategic priorities
 - EU-level actions
 - reformed governance and co-creation processes
 - mobilisation of EU funds for national reforms and investments
 - EU-level targets and reinforced monitoring
- **time period covered:** 2021-2024

EEA interim evaluation – evaluation criteria

- continued **relevance** of strategic priorities: whether they still appropriately address current & future needs, adaptability in the context of unexpected developments
- **effectiveness**: effects of EU & selected national actions, the way reformed governance and EU-level targets contributed to the effects achieved; unexpected/unintended effects
- **efficiency** of the activities at EU and national level aiming at building the EEA, considering costs & benefits, scope for simplification, streamlining & administrative burden reduction
- **internal coherence** of the approach towards the EEA, identifying gaps & overlaps (e.g. in EEA actions, working methods, governance structures or EU-level targets) & **external coherence** with other policies & strategies with similar/complementary objectives
- **EU added value** resulting from the cooperation and EU-level actions towards the EEA compared to what could have been achieved by MS acting alone

EEA interim evaluation – timeline

2023:

- EEA midterm review process (throughout the year)
- Call for Evidence (June – September)

2024:

- open public consultation (4 April – 27 June)
- targeted stakeholder consultations (Q1-3)
- data collection (Q1-Q3)
- analysis (Q3-4)

2025:

- external evaluation support study (January)
- Commission Communication and Staff Working Document (Q2 tbc)
- Council review of strategic framework including EU-level targets, governance and working methods (Q3-4)

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education!



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consultation](#)



open until
27 June 2024



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further

building the
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EDUCATION AREA**

Resources

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- [EEA progress report](#) package
- EEA midterm review process [event](#) & [report](#)
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Thank you!

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