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### NEW CALLS

- [Networking of existing structures supporting mobility in cultural sectors](#), D30/9/08.
- **Amicus preparatory action**, to support [youth mobility with a transnational dimension to youth service and volunteering placements](#), D 31/10/08.
- ESF invites individual scientists to submit proposals for high level [research conferences about cultures of youth/childhood](#) to take place in **2010 (framework)**, D 15/9/08.
- Proposals for [new Research Networking Progr. in humanities & soc.sc.](#), D 23/10/08.
- **Tenders:** Implementation of [Action plan on adult learning](#), D 6/10/08. External Service Provision [information systems for Educational Programmes](#), D 6/10/08. Study on [sport agents in the European Union](#); 1/10/08. Study on [Impact of Leonardo Mobility projects](#) on Improvement of Vocational Education and Training Systems; D 29/9/08. [Quality approaches for assuring the quality of training](#) and service provisions, D 6/10/08.
- [Eurostars](#) is now **officially approved**, the next application day for SME's is 21/11/08, to stimulate international collaborative research and innovation projects.

### RECOMMENDATIONS, RESOLUTIONS OR PREP. COMMUNICATIONS

- [Digital Library progress](#). EC adopted a Communication on Europe's cultural heritage at the click of a mouse - Progress on the digitisation and online accessibility ([EN,FR,DE](#)).
- EC working document: [Towards more knowledge-based policy and practice in education & training](#) (concl. from p. 55, emphasizing establishments of dynamic interrelationships).

### NEWS

- [EC presented](#) its [2008 Indicators and Benchmarks report](#) on how **key aspects of education and training are developing in Europe**. Showing slow but steady improve, with exception of a lower performance in reading since 2000, but improvements need to be faster ([Report](#)).
- The city of Tampere (Finland) will host the [Nine European Youth Olympic Festival](#), EYOF, 18-25 July 2009. The [Winter EYOF](#) takes place in Silesia-Beskidy, 14-21 Feb. '09.
- [Research Agenda about Higher Education Looking Forward. Final Report An Agenda for Future Research](#), Press release [University of the Future](#) & [Theme Report Relations between Higher Education and Society](#).
- Commissioner Jean Figel opens National [Tempus Offices in Jerusalem & Ramallah](#).
- Finalists of [Development Youth Prize 2007](#), **Focus on Africa in drawings** are revealed.
- An appointed expert group on Mobility says: [Make periods of learning abroad a rule, rather than the exception](#). Their report calls for action to boost mobility.
- [Europass is good value for money: more than 3 million CVs created online](#), using the resources of the [Europass website](#) (which provides a coordinated portfolio of documents).
- A Swedish umbrella organisation of study associations claims that [we need a Europe wide skills promotion, on the Swedish model](#) if we are going to meet the EU's skills target.

### AGENDA

- 15-17/9 Maastricht, [Role of Intercultural Dialogue & \(EU\) Financial Instruments](#).
- 25-26/9 Thessaloniki, Seminar [Social partners & efficiency in sectoral training funds](#).
- 28&29/10, Paris, [1<sup>st</sup> World Forum on Lifelong Learning](#), [program](#).
- 17-18/11 [BizWorld kids Global Entrepreneurship week](#).

### NEW REPORTS/RESEARCH

- Cedefop [Reviews career guidance at work](#), with best practices across 25 MS & role of ict.
- Cedefop, briefing note: **Promoting choice, responsibility, responsitivity and participation in training with [individual learning accounts](#)**.