

# **Future of TCA & SALTO** *Programme management WG conclusions*

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## The opportunity of TCA is very much appreciated



- It is the main tool for the supportive approach of NAs, mainly at transnational level
- TCA gives NAs the opportunity to better influence and steer the programme implementation and focus on priority themes
- It strengthens and increases the European dimension in the programme implementation
- It offers help to new organisations to join the Programme
- They support the development of practices in education, training and youth work in Europe on national, regional and local level
- TCA also is a unique opportunity for NAs and the network of NAs to foster a better understanding of concepts and practices of the NAs, to support the development of European competences and the capability for co-operation of NA staff



## Suggestions for the future – TCA (1)

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- The existing budget for TCA is very much appreciated and needs to be kept also in the future programmes to reach out for the above mentioned impact
- **Highest flexibility of the TCA budget** is needed to adjust planning and implementation of TCA during work plan period
- The development of and decision to cooperate with other NA's to co-organise TCA activities should be possible also after submitting the work programme in order to guarantee the maximalisation of opportunities
- The **IT tools of the EC should better support TCA implementation.** The TCA implementation needs user-friendly tools for planning, organising and follow up for the network and each NAs
- National Agencies should get a clear request and mandate to dedicate resources to TCA; the efforts for the implementation of high quality TCA activities should also be taken into account when calculating the management fee





#### Suggestions for the future – TCA (2)

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- Depending on the needs of NAs with regard to certain issues, themes and target groups it might be much more recommendable and have a bigger impact to run exceptionally also national activities in TCA (than transnational)
- It is necessary to find the ideal balance between flexibility and quality assuring guidance/measures
- The TCA has proven to be a valuable instrument to build the link between policies and programmes; it bears huge potential to further strengthen these links and to give NAs opportunities to support policy processes





#### **Suggestions for the future – SALTO**



- As part of Key Action 3, SALTO's role as a tool in supporting policy development and implementation should be strengthened
- The SALTO approach in the two areas of the programme should conceptually to better linked: while thematic SALTOs are highly relevant in the youth sector, such structures might be useful also in education and training
- If NAs' are to fulfil a role in the implementation of European education, training and youth policies, the **competence development of staff** needs to be put in focus; a bigger support of the networks through SALTO in the field of staff training might be helpful
- Simplification of budget rules & administration...







## Thank you for your attention

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