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# ESF CoNet PROJECT: INTERNATIONAL LEARNING MODELS

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# Three major challenges across all regions:

- Background of long term economic, industrial and technological change
- Major population and demographic change
- Challenge of tackling recession and the global economic crisis

# Population and workforce change

*Common aspirations to develop knowledge economies and to boost skills in workforce and to increase employment rates (and skills) of:*

- Older residents (50+)
- Women (and parents)
- Migrants
- Knowledge Workers

# Tackling supply and demand sides:

- Boosting education and training
- Improving skills utilisation
- Addressing firm/organisation culture and working practices
- Co-creation of public services (vouchers for training, childcare etc)
- Tackling social and cultural attitudes

# Bold Economic vision - using crisis to effect long term change

- Sweden – Knowledge Lift
- England - NINJA/RDAs
- Knowledge cities and regions (North Carolina, Stockholm, Barcelona, Trieste etc)
- Childcare – UK, Australia, New Zealand, Austria
- User driven services (Trento, Tuscany, Marche, Podlaskie )