

## Country report: National policies in the field of “ICT and initial teacher training”

### **CONCERNING MATERIAL AND SOURCES:**

- **THE MAIN SOURCES:**
  - Insight website : *general reports and country reports*
  - Eurybase: *descriptions of educational systems in Europe*
  - Official websites of governments
  - Unesco website: *reports concerning the field and the countries*
  - Key persons
  - **Country questionnaires:** Austria, Belgian Flanders, Poland, Spain, Switzerland
- **EVALUATING DOCUMENT RELEVANCE:** *Dates & last revision of the documents*
- **INFORMATION CONCERNS 31 COUNTRIES:** OECD countries and Chile

### **A FIRST OVERVIEW OF NATIONAL POLICIES THROUGH THREE CATEGORIES:**

- **Category 1: RELEVANT INFORMATION CONCERNING “ICT IN INITIAL TEACHER TRAINING” IS MISSING**
  1. No **relevant** information was found for: Canada (*provinces*), Mexico & Slovakia
  2. The findings show that no policy exists in the field for: Czech Republic & Greece
- **Category 2: DEVELOPING AWARENESS TO THE STAKES OF ICT IN INITIAL TEACHER TRAINING**
  1. “ICT in initial teacher training” takes part of a national work plan for the future years:
    - Australia (*AICTEC work plan 2009*), Belgian Flanders (*policy plan 2007-2009*), New Zealand (*Action plan for elearning in school 2006-2010*), Portugal (*technological plan for Education, 2008*), Republic of Ireland (*work plan 2007-2013*).
  2. **Initiatives and actions supported by foundations:**
    - Netherlands (*Kennishet Foundation*), Sweden (*Knowledge Foundation action*).
- **Category 3: INCLUSION OF ICT IN INITIAL TEACHER TRAINING AT SEVERAL LEVELS:**
  1. **Recommendations at the national level but no obligation of training:**
    - Chile, Germany, Italy, Switzerland
  2. **Compulsory trainings and national accreditation standards for the programmes:**
    - The case of Denmark: *Pedagogical ICT licence*, also used by Austria.
    - Belgium (Belgian Flanders, French & German speaking communities), Finland, France, Hungary, Iceland, Japan, Korea, Luxembourg, Norway, Poland, Spain, Turkey, United Kingdom, United States.
  3. **Competence frameworks:**
    - Canada (Quebec), Chile, France, Norway, United-Kingdom
  4. **National certification:**
    - Denmark, France, United-Kingdom