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The connection between education and qualification frameworks and the world of work is a widely discussed and investigated topic. The transfer of real-life challenges as they arise in work contexts into the teaching and learning arrangements of training contexts is one of the questions that has to be addressed in all systems of vocational training. The transfer of changing challenges posed by an economic system that is more than ever characterised by processes of globalisation seems to be a challenge that affects all European countries.

Therefore, this issue aims to collect papers from different national perspectives in order to generate a comprehensive picture for the ever-closer connected European countries. The papers shall provide:
- a short description of the vocational training and qualification system you cover,
- an outline of the main state of the art issues of the discussion on VET in your country,
- a discussion of the connection between VET and its output on the one hand and the challenges of the world of work on the other hand from your national perspective.

Your paper should be between 3,500 and 5,500 words (including references).

We need to have your paper by the beginning of October 2004.

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