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Lifelong Learning in a Network Society.**

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Recent improvements in Europe

- **Larger scale – better fit to diversity and demands of society**
- **Professional management**
- **Qualification structure – new occupational roles**
- **Minimum qualification for all**
- **ICT for management / for learning**
- **Responsibility for own learning**



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is happy to assist

in cooperation between
**Chinese institutions and
European Institutions**

in terms of:

- **Exchange of students, teachers and management**
- **Knowledge on these issues and new issues**

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Changes in society

- **Knowledge**
- **Identity and social texture**
- **Globalisation**

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Transformation

from



- **industrial organisation**

Task/time, functional, planning en control, doing and thinking divided, hierarchies, standardisation, body of knowledge (library), mass production, the state, the university, the school...

to:

- ❖ **network organisation**

Mission/autonomous groups, innovation, participation, complexity, variety, flow of knowledge, mass individualisation, global institutions and regionalisation, communities of practice.....



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European objectives for education

to meet the needs of the network society

- **Universal & continuing access and renewing skills**
- **Increase investment in human resources (knowledge as investment)**
- **Effective teaching and learning-contexts**
- **Recognise and certify the outcomes of different types of learning**
- **Guidance and Counselling – quality advice**
- **Bring learning closer to the learner (home, workplace, communities)**



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The role of EfVET

- Official partner in consultation process
- National bodies in all European countries
- Central office in Brussels to assist member institutions in cooperation, joint EC projects etc.
- Yearly European conference
- Website: <http://www.efvet.org>
- Initiator of World Federation of Associations of Colleges and Polytechnics – Melbourne 24 – 27 March 2002
<http://www.wfworldcongress.com/about.htm>
- Chinese representative: Northern Jiaotong University – Beijing Electric Power College

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