2018

Tripartite agreement improves access to lifelong skill upgrading

In October 2017, the Government, the unions and the employer’s organisations agreed on improving the opportunities for the Danish skilled and unskilled workforce are continuing and further education and training.

The agreement earmarks about DKK 400 million to a foundation targeted unskilled and skilled workers. In total, the agreement includes initiatives for almost DKK 2.5 billion in 2018-2021.

Among the most important initiatives in the agreement are:

- The opportunity for unskilled or skilled workers to undertake further training on their own initiative
- Strengthening of basic skills such as reading, writing and arithmetic and introducing new subject such as IT and English
- Higher allowance for all at AMU courses by increasing the rate in the State Grant System for Adult Training [1] (VEU-godtgørelse)
- A more flexible supply of adult vocational education in order to customise the supply to the needs of the individual enterprise Improvement of AMU courses’ quality
- Introduction of one entrance to the Adult and continuing education system which will make it easier to find information about training opportunities, enrol in courses and apply for VEU-godtgørelse

The agreement is consistent with the Danish Lifelong Learning objectives of giving opportunities for continuing training to match the labour market’s needs. Thereby the workforce can easier adjust to market demands, and it will be easier for public and private companies to get manpower with necessary skills.

More information on the tripartite agreement can be found here (in Danish).

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There have been no new reforms in this area.