Education and training system in Italy

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The Italian education and training system

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**Regional post-qualification courses

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Compulsory education/right-duty to education and training

- Compulsory education for 10 years (from 6 up to 16 years of age)- Compulsory education can be accomplished either at upper secondary schools (under the responsibility of State- Ministry of Education, University and Research) or within the three years vocational training courses (run by Regions in vocational training agencies).

- After the first two years of compulsory education (14-16 years of age) in school or vocational training agencies, every student has the right/duty to education and training for at least 12 years (in the school system) or up to the obtainment of a three years vocational qualification before reaching 18 years of age.
Lyceum Reform

- Types of lyceum (5 years duration)
- Responsibility: Ministry of Education, University and Research (MIUR)

- Lyceums (2 years cycle + 2 years cycle + 1 last year):
  1) Artistic lyceum
  2) Classical lyceum
  3) Linguistic lyceum
  4) Lyceum of music and dance
  5) Scientific lyceum
  6) Human science lyceum
Vocational and educational training: three years regional courses

- II path to fulfill compulsory education/right-duty
- Regions responsibility
- 2 macro types:
  - More training oriented courses
  - More education oriented courses
Apprenticeship: three different types

- Apprenticeship for the fulfilment of the right/duty to education and training (new reform: from 15 years of age)
- Professionalizing Apprenticeship (18-29)
- Apprenticeship aimed at the acquisition of a certificate (diploma) or apprenticeship linked to high level training. (18-29)
Higher technical education and training system

- IFTS (Higher technical education and training pathways)
- ITS (High technical institutes)

Aimed to provide young people and adults (employed or otherwise) with more specific technical knowledge.
Second level vocational training courses

- Addressed to those who have obtained an upper secondary school leaving certificate or a first level qualification in the three year vocational and training courses.
- Regional responsibility and financing through European Social Fund
- Length of 400-600 hours
- II level qualification certificate
Adult education

- Provincial centers for adult education: from 2010/2011 they will provide 2 levels of courses:
  - I level: courses aimed at obtaining of the first cycle of education leaving certificate. Also: functional literacy courses for adult immigrants;
  - II level: courses aimed at obtaining the diploma (normally technical and vocational certificate of upper secondary school).

- Target: young from 16 years and adults, also immigrants, without the compulsory education leaving certificate or without an upper secondary school certificate.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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