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2nd Stakeholders' Group Working Meeting on the issue of the correlation of succession of SMEs with education and lifelong learning in Greece

On Thursday, June 25th, 2020, the 2nd Working Meeting of the Stakeholders' Group on business succession in Greece, took place via video conference, in the context of the implementation of the project "Success Road: Enhance the Competitiveness and Sustainability of European SMEs through Succession Procedures and Models" with the acronym "Success Road".

The 2nd Stakeholders' Group Meeting focused on the correlation of succession and transfer of SMEs with the education and lifelong learning systems, as well as with the mentoring and coaching mechanisms.

The 2nd meeting was attended by representatives of the following bodies:

- Ministry of Development & Investments
- General Secretariat of Industry
- Hellenic Clothing Industry Association
- Athens Chamber of Tradesmen
- National Center of Social Research
- Athens Chamber of Handicrafts
- Hellenic Confederation of Professionals, Craftsmen & Merchants
- Institute of the Hellenic Confederation of Trade and Entrepreneurship
- Center of Planning and Economic Research

The presentations of the participants and the discussions focused on the following thematic sections:

- Stereotypical selection of a member of the next generation as a successor. Deficient Education and Vocational Training of the successor.
- Main succession problems leading to familial and intracompany conflicts.
- Good practices for preventing and resolving family conflicts through education/ training and mentoring/coaching of owners and successors.
- Transfer to third parties issues
- Formulation of proposals issues for the development of national strategies for the promotion of succession and transfer through education systems.
- Formulation of proposals for the support of family businesses and SMEs for succession / transfer through mentoring & coaching mechanisms.

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