EFEE and GO! promote innovative and excellent education

On 15 October, the European Federation of Education Employers (EFEE) and GO! Education of the Flemish Community organised a Peer Learning Acitivity (PLA) in Antwerp on promoting **Excellence and innovation in education and supporting a new generation of educators**.

Education has an important role to play in promoting sustainable economic growth, improving social cohesion and preparing citizens for the fast-changing needs in today's knowledge society. However in order to reach this full potential, our education systems will have to be modern, up-to-date and efficient. This requires innovative management solutions and an excellent teaching force.

EFEE organised this Peer Learning for policy makers and representatives of European education employers, offering them the opportunity to learn from School District 1 Antwerp and Campus Hoboken how they are approaching these issues in Antwerp. Experts shared good practices on innovative management measures for social benefit and profit, public-private cooperation between universities and industry, quality care and quality control, intergenerational learning, inter-service training of teachers and school leaders, and ICT challenges and opportunities.

Jens Vermeersch, Deputy Director GO! concluded: "In the vision of GO! the school of the future offers high quality education to a cultural mix of pupils. It reflects the entire society and strives towards equal education opportunities. While offering a modern learning environment, it is also fully integrated into society, maintaining close ties with the business world and the various cultural, social and economic actors". Professor dr Koen DePryck, School district 1 Antwerp. called upon all to innovate: "The future of education? Let's build the future!"

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