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## About this bulletin

This bulletin aims to keep our stakeholders up to speed with new content, activities and developments of the School Education Gateway.

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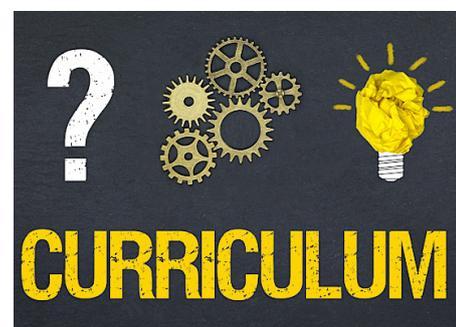
## Curriculum reform: more than a textbook update

As the world faces new economic and social challenges, education tries to find ways of responding to them. Curriculum has a strong impact on learning design, and its revision and renewal play an important role in fostering the competences that societies need today and tomorrow. Which curricular reforms have attracted notice in recent years?



Critical thinking is often explicitly mentioned as a fundamental skill that is beneficial for citizens to develop. Opportunities should be incorporated across all subjects, with a holistic, interdisciplinary approach that could require additional support for teachers, so they are better prepared to help learners to develop this skill.

The ET 2020 strategic framework identifies two steps a system can embrace to grow and develop: identify its strengths and weaknesses, and learn from other systems' practices. This overview presents some successful examples of countries that are reforming their curriculum.



Teaching history using critical thinking and primary sources, as well as multiple perspectives, may help students to appreciate diversity. The task of redesigning the history curriculum raises several questions on the role history plays in this unique moment.

# Curriculum for students of 21st century – watch the recording

The way a curriculum is designed can strongly influence how students can develop a broad range of competences for their future lives in society. In our first webinar of 2021, participants had the opportunity to reflect on the importance of redesigning curricula to ensure that they are relevant to the world outside of school. If you missed any of the previous webinars, you can find all the recordings and presentations online.



## Video selection of this month



### The art of policy-making in education

"In policy-making, you should consider the continuum of the professional development of teachers." Liesbeth Hens talks about the importance of improving the stakeholder involvement to ensure quality in education.



### Listening to students makes better reforms

What inspired the Republic of Ireland to make changes to its curriculum, after over 20 years of immobility? Ben Murray shares his views in this interview.

## Survey on redesigning the curriculum

How can new demands be accommodated to keep up with changes in society in an already crowded curriculum? School education is under pressure to add new content items to the curriculum at the risk of losing balance. Take this short survey and share your views by 28 February 2021. The results will be published on School Education Gateway.



## Teaching material

Looking for other useful material to enrich your classroom and school?

- The project "FAKE OFF" aims at fostering young people's Internet literacy, creating awareness of intentional misinformation. It enables young people to identify "fake news" and to avoid them.
- A collection of **curated plans** for bringing Project-Based Learning to your classroom, produced by participants of the online course on Teacher Academy.