

# TVET COUNTRY PROFILE ANGOLA











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#### Introduction

Vocational training is receiving significant government support as elements of an industrialised nation emerge. A new concept of sustainable vocational training centres is being rolled out in Angola in conjunction with foreign governments.

TVET plays a highly valuable role by offering a wide variety of skills to improve employability thereby contributing to the productive capacity of business organisations and industries. This paper highlights a country-level overview of the TVET system in Angola, looking at its policy framework, governance, and the involvement of the private sector in TVET. The aim is to provide an overview of strategies for the implementation of TVET to improve TVET reform and quality.

#### **Policies**

The Angolan National Development Plan (ANDP) 2013-2017 identifies education and professional training as priority areas of intervention to promote employment and human capital development, thereby contributing to the diversification and competitiveness of its economy and poverty reduction.

In line with the long-term development strategy "Angola 2025" and the ANDP, the government has designed a National Strategy for the Development of Human Capital and the Human Capital National Plan (HCNP) for 2013-2020 targeting all levels of education and various priority economic sectors.

Angola started the Reform of Vocational and Technical Training (RETEP) in 2001 aimed at expanding the training offered by improving the level and quantity of infrastructure, the equipment of the laboratories and training workshops, curriculum reform and improvement of the system of training of trainers.

The following documents provide contextual information on the education system and economic indicators in Angola as they relate to implementation and policy of TVET.

- Presidential Decree 185/18, of 6 August (2018), which revokes Decree 29/97 approves the new legal regime of the Hospital Support Personnel Career, with a view to ensuring the quality and humanisation of care in the health sector, especially in the National Health Service, regulating its structure, income, access, progression, and work and personnel regimens.
- Presidential Decree 187/18, of 6 August (2018), approved the legal regime for the Nursing Career.
- Law 17/16, of 17 October (2016) On the Bases
  of the Education and Teaching System, which
  established the principles and general bases of the
  Education and Teaching System. This repealed Law
  13/01, of December 31, 2001, and all legislation that
  contravened the provisions of this law.
- Presidential Decree 24/15, of 9 January 2015 created the National Institute for the Training of Education Staff.
- The Law on Education 17/16, (2016) defined the system, levels, and cycles of formal education and training: preschool, general, technical and professional, teacher training, adult learning, and higher education and its qualifications.
- Executive Decree 479/18, (2018) approves
  the model of titles for the delivery of certificates
  and diplomas to students attending the different
  subsystems of pre-school education, general
  secondary education, technical secondary
  education, pedagogical secondary education, adult
  education and comparability of the education system
  recognition and equivalence of studies of primary
  and secondary education levels.

#### Governance

TVET in Angola falls within the competencies of two different ministries:

 Ministry of Education (MED) is responsible for the formal Technical Vocational Education (TVE)







through the lower and higher secondary education system. Secondary technical and vocational education under the MED conducts training for skilled workers and technicians of intermediate level based on the country's needs.

 Ministry of Public Administration, Labour and Social Security (MAPTSS) is responsible for the non-formal Technical Vocational Training (TVT) courses, thus ensuring a stronger link between vocational training and the labour market.

#### Implementing structures

Within the MAPTSS, the National Directorate of Labour and Professional Training (DNTFP) (Direcção Nacional do Trabalho e da Formação Profissional) and the National Institute of Employment and Professional Training (INEFOP) are the entities responsible for coordinating the training system and the implementation of training programmes.

#### **TVET Institutions**

The education system in Angola is divided into three sections. Primary education is usually for six years, secondary for three years or a four-year technical/vocational course, followed by tertiary education.

The National System of Professional Training (SNFP) is focused on training and retraining for the labour market.

#### **TVET types**

- Public technical schools 75 (2019)
- Private technical schools 460 (2019) out of which
   172 were non-functional in 2019.

#### Funding sources

The primary funding source for TVET in Angola is the state education budget.

The approved Private Investment Law (Law 20/11 of 20 May 2011), defines the education sector as one of the priority areas for private investment in Angola.

However, there is limited information regarding TVET related investments.

Donor-led programmes, such as the **EU Project RETFOP**, focus on technical-vocational education to ensure a better qualified workforce to guarantee higher levels of employability. **OPEC Funds for International Development** (2002) financed a scheme to reform the country's education system, placing special emphasis on boosting the quality of learning and providing job skills training for youth and adolescents.

#### **Private sector engagement**

Information on Angola's private sector engagement in skills development and TVET is not readily available. TVET initiatives are financed by the government, the private sector (for initiatives involving extractive industries) and donors.

#### **Private sector authorities**

International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)
focuses on promotion and defence of workers' rights
and interests, through international cooperation
between trade unions, global campaigning and
advocacy within the major global institutions.

#### **Teacher training**

There is a lack of qualified TVET trainers overall. Limited information related to teacher training programmes and institutes for TVET trainers is available.





#### **INFORMAL TVET**

The Ministry of Public Administration, Labor and Social Security (MAPTSS) is responsible for the non-formal Technical Vocational Training (TVT) courses, for ensuring a stronger link between vocational training and the labour market. There are also other non-formal TVET courses organised by other ministries and by private companies which are not under MAPTSS responsibility.

MAPTSS has 365 vocational training centres, of which 97 are under the responsibility of the National Institute of Employment and Professional Training (INEFOP), 245 are private and conduct only lifelong learning activities and 23 belong to other organisations. Their total capacity of 24,564 students accommodates only a small percentage of the potential demand.

#### **Statistics**

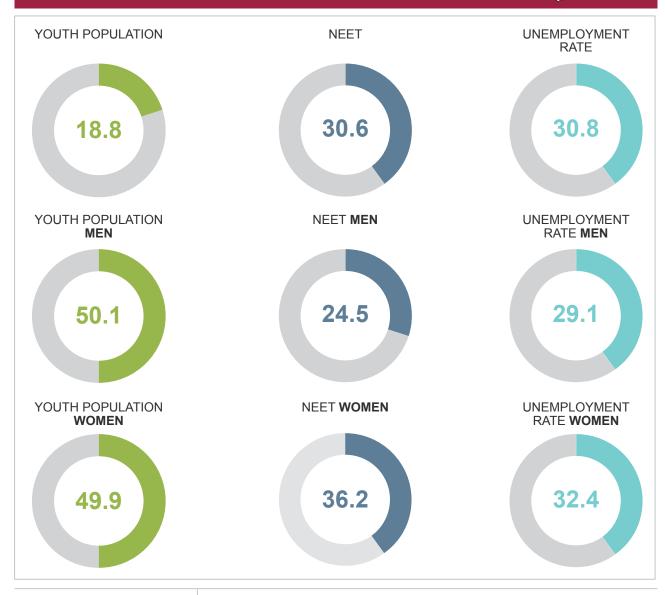
This section presents an overview of key metrics in Angola:







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203,882

WOMEN 94,072 MEN 109,810



#### **GOOD PRACTICES**

Lessons learnt, resources and skills associations <a href="https://aspyee.org/page/good-practices">https://aspyee.org/page/good-practices</a>



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