

From March 5th – 19th, 2018, the Institute of Vocational Education of the National Academy of Pedagogical Sciences of the Ukraine hosted the XII All-Ukrainian Scientific and Practical Conference with the title "Scientific and Methodical Provision of Vocational Education and Training"

The conference was attended by:

- Kuchinsky M.S., Director of Department for Vocational Education of the Ukrainian Ministry of Education and Science.
- Topuzov O.M., Vice-President of the National Academy of Pedagogical Sciences (NAPS), Director of the Institute for Pedagogy of NAPS, Doctor of Pedagogical Sciences, Professor, Corresponding Member of NAPS.
- Nychkalo N.G., Academician-Secretary of the Department for Vocational Education and Adult Education of NAPS, Doctor of Pedagogical Sciences, Professor, Full Member of NAPS.
- Scientists of the Institute for Vocational Education of NAPS.
- Directors and pedagogical staff of the vocational and professional institutions for pre-higher education.
- Methodists of regional and district educational (scientific)-methodical centers (cabinets) for vocational education, employers, etc.

Radkevich V.O., Director of the Institute for Vocational Education of NAPS, Doctor of Pedagogical Sciences, Professor, Full Member of NAPS congratulated the conference participants and delivered the report "Vocational and Professional Pre-higher Education: Innovative Context of Changes".

At the conference the development issues of vocational and professional pre-higher education in Ukraine were issued. The results of the scientific and experimental work of the Institute for Vocational Education on the implementation of scientific and methodological support for professional training of specialists were highlighted. In particular, the achievements of the international Erasmus+ project «Improving teacher education for applied learning in the field of VET (ITE-VET)» № 574124-EPP-1-2016-1-DE-EPPKA2-CBHE-JP.

The representatives of the Kyiv National Economic University named after Vadym Hetman participated in the plenary session of the conference:

- Artiyshina M.V., Acting Head of the Department for Pedagogy and Psychology, Doctor of Pedagogical Sciences, Professor;
- Skoda T.N., Associate Professor of Department for Personnel Management and Labor Economics, PhD in Economics;
- Sarkisova O.Yu., Associate Professor, Department for Pedagogy and Psychology, PhD in Pedagogy, Associate Professor.

Based on the results of the conference, the book of abstracts was prepared. The book contains the theoretical and methodological principles of modernization of the vocational education as well as the innovative foreign experience of vocational education and training development. In particular:

- The organizational and pedagogical principles of counselling students for planning and realization of professional careers are also part of the book.
- The methodical principles of distance professional training, problems and prospects of the development of project technologies for vocational training of future specialists.
- The perspective directions of the standardization of their professional pre-higher education and creation of the informational and educational environment of vocational (professional and technical) and pre-higher education institutions.

Furthermore the book also contains the abstracts of the participants of the Erasmus+ project «Improving teacher education for applied learning in the field of VET (ITE-VET)» № 574124-EPP-1-2016-1-DE-EPPKA2-CBHE-JP, which summarizes the experience of modernizing the vocational training of teachers for the system of vocational education in the direction of increasing its practical orientation.