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Director of CEDEFOP takes up new post  
in the EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Dr Ernst PIEHL (50) is leaving CEDEFOP, the European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training located in Berlin, on 30 April 1994. He has been Director of the Centre since 1 October 1984. Prior to this Ernst Piehl had been political Secretary of the European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC) in Brussels, Executive Director of the European Youth Service in the Council of Europe in Strasburg and adviser to the Economic and Social Science Institute of the German Trade Union Confederation (DGB) in Düsseldorf.

Since the middle of 1980 CEDEFOP has made a name for itself through its practically oriented work, for example, through the study visit programme for vocational training specialists, the FORUM for research institutes, also open to countries in northern, central and eastern Europe and through its periodicals: the European "Vocational Training" journal (published in 9 languages), FLASH, FLASH Special and CEDEFOP PANORAMA.

Ernst Piehl will take up his new post in the European Parliament on 2 May 1994 as head of its new office in Berlin. This will be located in the same building on the Kurfürstendamm as the representation of the European Commission. CEDEFOP's work and the activities of the European Commission, the governments and the social partners of the Member States involving the Centre, which is managed jointly by these groups, will in all likelihood be followed more closely by the European Parliament.

After publishing a notice of vacancy the Management Board of CEDEFOP will draw up a list of candidates for the post by the end of June. Subsequently the European Commission will nominate the new director as quickly as possible.

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