

BIBB-Kolloquium zur Berufsbildungsforschung

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zum Thema: "Is information the key? An empirical analysis of dropouts from VET in Germany"

In 2021, one in four trainees dropped out of VET prematurely – a loss of potential future employees urgently needed given the increasing shortage of skilled workers. This study focuses on the trainee's level of information as a potential cause of dropouts. Thereby we draw on theories from vocational orientation and career choice and labour market theories. Using data from NEPS starting cohort 4, our results are based on an event history analysis. We show that a good knowledge of one's own vocational training and good school-based vocational preparation reduce the probability of dropping out. In contrast, a good level of information about alternative training programs increases dropouts. Thus, the probability of dropping out of VET does not necessarily decrease when the level of information in-creases. We also see that the distinction between different groups of people, providing information about apprenticeships, especially between strong and weak ties, is not decisive in this matter.