

## **Just Green Transition**

Laying the ground for an holistic understanding of it and of "just-green issues" for dVET

1st BarCamp

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### Multiple ecological challenges for our planet

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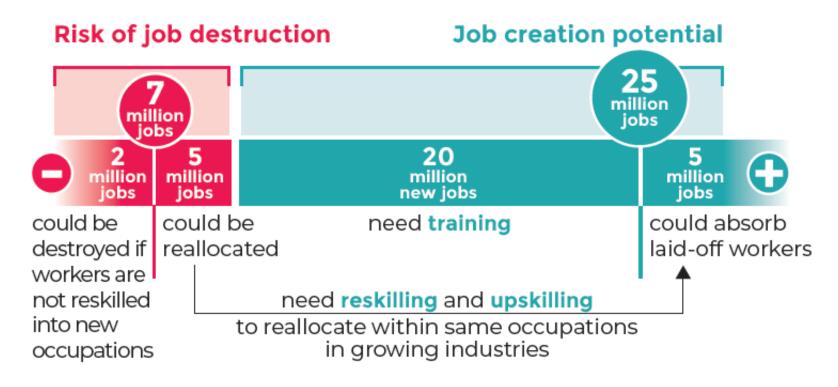
IPCC 2023: "keeping [global] warming to 1.5°C above preindustrial levels requires deep, rapid and sustained greenhouse gas emissions reductions in all sectors. Emissions should be decreasing by now and will need to be cut by almost half by 2030, if warming is to be limited to 15°C"

#### Broad array of social effects of the transition



#### Spotlight: Effects on the labor market

#### **Energy transition scenario, 2030 (jobs in millions)**



### Need for Just Transition (JT) broadly acknowledged...

JT originally pushed forward by unions and later taken up by:

- ILO Resolution 2013 + ILO Just Transition Guidelines 2015
- Paris Agreement requires Parties to "take into account the imperatives of a Just Transition of the workforce ..."
- (UN 2030 Agenda: "leaving no one behind")
- European Green Deal aiming for a "just transition"
- Just Energy Transition Partnerships
- Many more declarations by national governments and stakeholders...

#### ...but broader & narrower understandings of JT

Focus on (coal) jobs

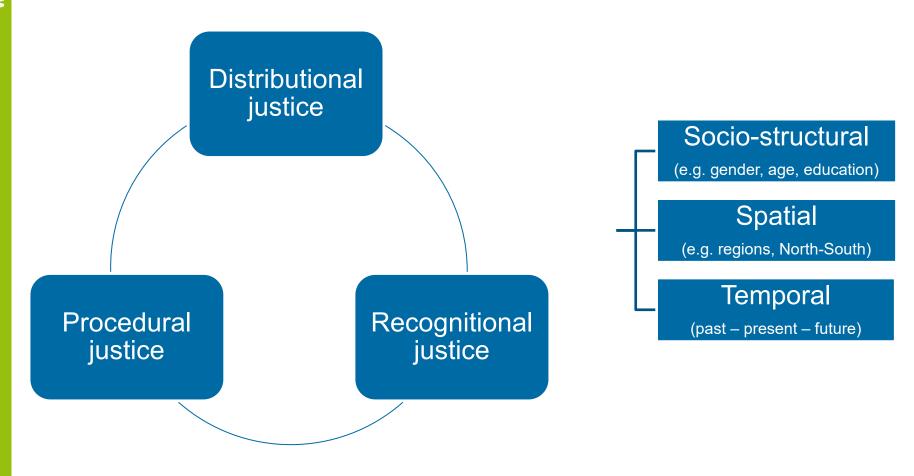
"A [JT] secures the **future and livelihoods of workers and their communities** in the transition to a
low-carbon economy" (<u>JTC</u>)

"A [JT] is greening the economy in a way that is as fair and inclusive as possible to all, creating decent work opportunities and leaving no one behind" (ILO)

"A [JT] aims to achieve a quality life for all South Africans [...]. A [JT] contributes to the goals of decent work for all, social inclusion, and the eradication of poverty." (PCC South Africa)

**Broad social perspective** 

#### Important justice / inequality dimensions



#### "Just-green nexus issues" with regard to (d)VET

- Bringing / keeping people in decent employment by
  - supporting green skills in new + established sectors
  - reskilling workers in sectors negatively affected by the transition
  - considering (different) needs of men & women, young & old, marginalized groups and informal sector, different regions...
- Making the dVET system (schools...) itself green & just
- Making the dVET system & curricula more responsive and agile towards fast technological change & uncertainties
- Social dialogue and public/stakeholder participation
- North-South dimension: Climate / dev. finance for dVET

# General guiding questions for this BarCamp (Series) on the role of dVET in the Just Green Transition (JGT)

- What are important linkages between dVET and the JGT?
- How can dVET fuel a JGT?
- What are specific opportunities with regard to <u>d</u>VET?
- What is key to ensure that dVET can play its part in a JGT?
- What are the implications for development cooperation?



# Thank you for your attention!

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