



Achieving the European Education Area by 2025

Strength through Diversity – 8th Policy Forum

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Building on a strong political momentum and a shared vision for Europe that is ready to face the **digital & green transitions**



Preventing the **health crisis** from becoming a structural barrier to learning, skills development and employment prospects of our youth



Translating the European Education Area into a **tangible reality** for the European education and training ecosystem

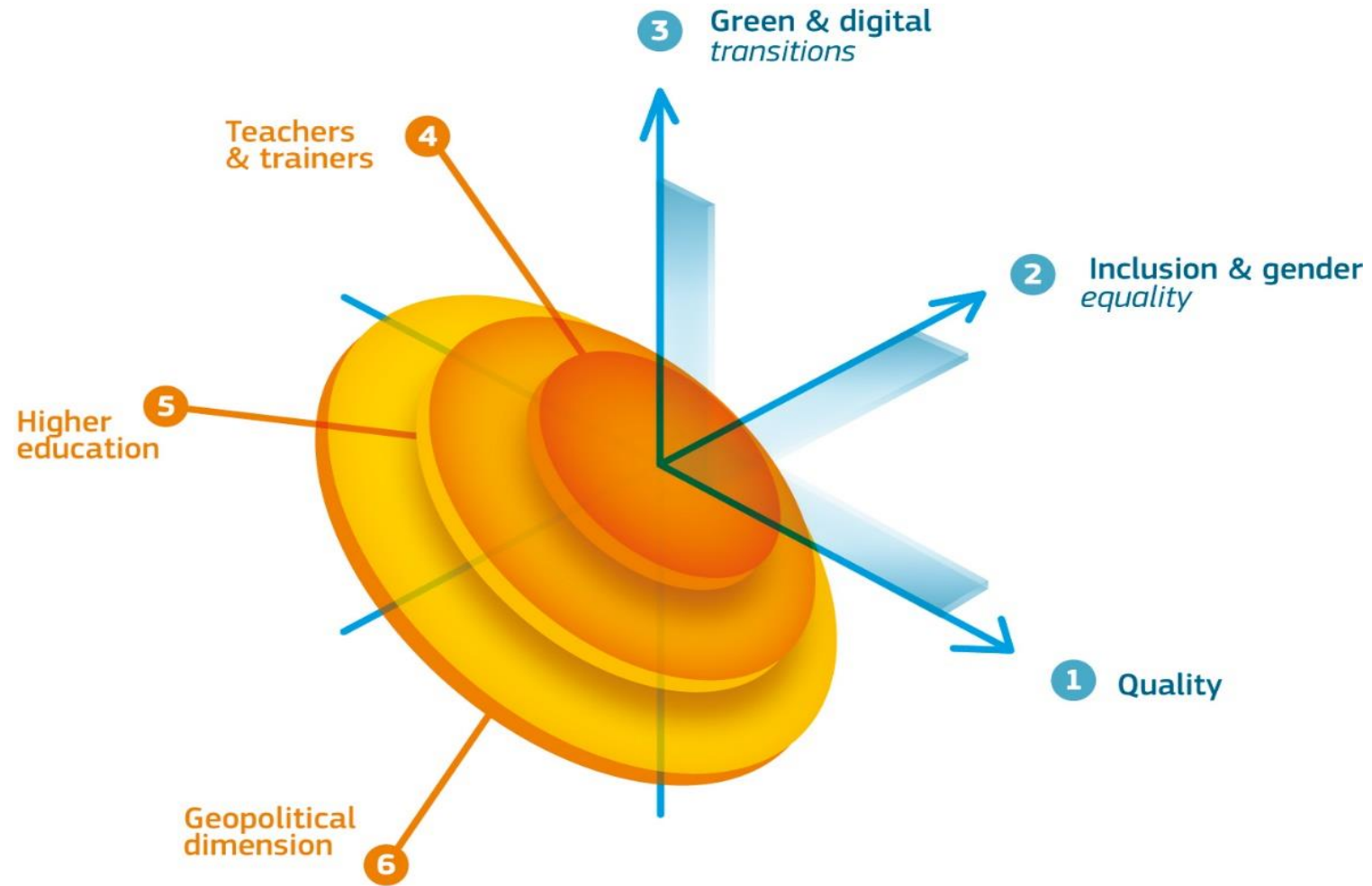
Inclusion related challenges in the Covid-19 context

Persistent rates of underachievement in **basic skills** – socio-economic status remains a key determinant of educational outcomes in the EU – combined with Covid-induced **learning loss**.

Lack of sufficient **digital capacity and readiness** of education and training systems can further widen inequalities – yet, only 39 % of teachers in the EU feel well or very well prepared to use digital technologies for teaching

Growing need for professional development for teachers and school leaders to manage **cultural and linguistic diversity** in the classroom.

Vision



Key actions addressing inclusion and gender equality



Turning challenges into opportunities

The Commission will mobilise all available tools and instruments to enable the achievement of the EEA, including supporting Member State reforms, under the new cooperation framework, in a spirit of co-creation.

- Strategic steer through a new governance structure, to be agreed with Member States by the end of 2021
- Mutual learning and policy support
- Dedicated work strand on investment
- Targets and indicators
- Funding and guidance for Member States (Recovery and Resilience Facility, Structural Funds)
- Reporting and monitoring: EEA Progress Report in 2022

Thank you