



## Rede für die Dolmetscher:

### Topic: Parliaments as platforms to enhance education for peace, security and the rule of law

Honourable President, Distinguished Delegates,

Education is the cornerstone of peace, security and the rule of law. But education does not stop with the end of school, it is much more a lifelong process. We constantly have to enhance our abilities in order to master an ever-complex world that is constantly changing.

The digital revolution brings about tectonic changes. Proper education from kindergarten onwards, as well as continued education and advanced vocational training are the means to master this transformation.

In order to achieve that, the Free Democratic Party proposed the concept of “Saving for education”. This initiative tries to incentivise a lifelong education by granting tax incentives to parents setting up saving plans for their children. Thereby the government also subsidises each euro that parents invest in the future of their children.

Moreover, we want to introduce a midlife subsidy for all those currently in jobs who want to prepare themselves for future job perspectives. By this, we prevent lock-in effects of people already in the job market working in a dying industry that would fear to lose their income base, when going on continued education programmes. Here the state steps in by providing a safety net for those adapting to the digital transformation of the labour market by special job trainings.

Both measures secure the educational success of young as well as old people.

If we are able to create a more holistic notion of education and transform it into the notion of lifelong learning, only then will we master the challenges ahead and sustain peace, security and the rule of law.

Thank you very much for your attention.

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