



# Findings from the Survey

From 34 completed responses  
(as of midnight )

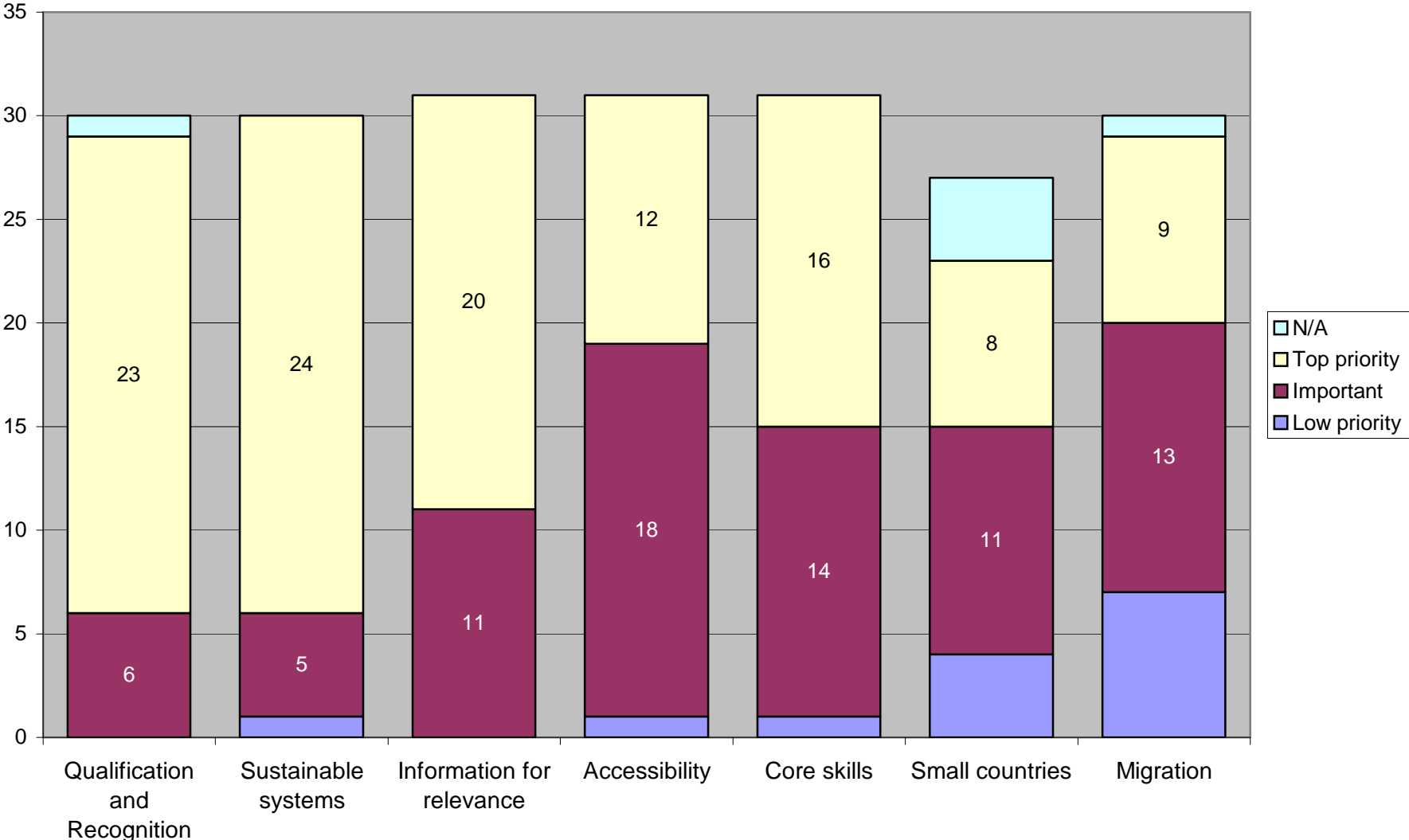
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## The priority issues identified in 2005

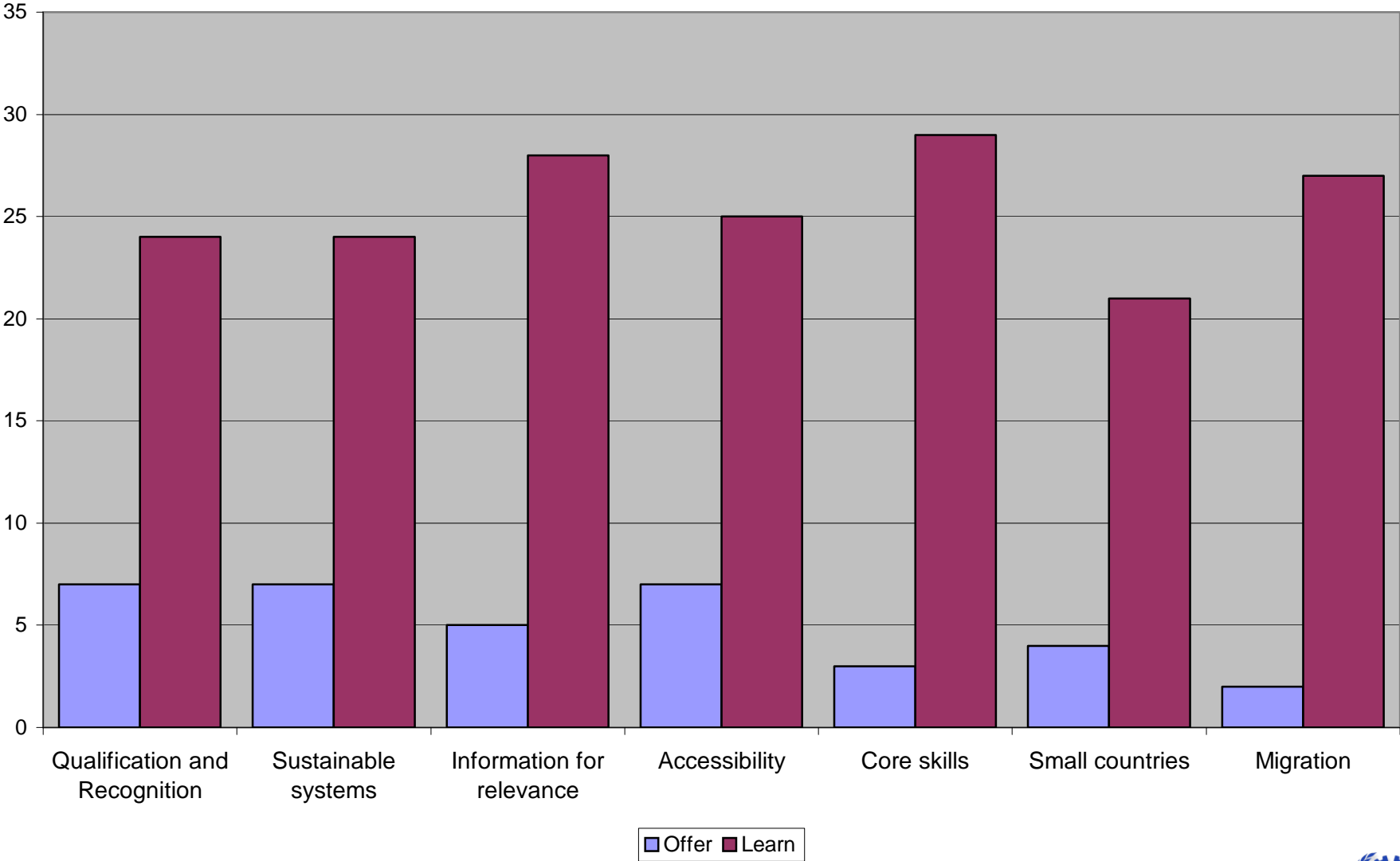
1. National systems of qualification and recognition that are internationally valid, and the mutual recognition of qualifications and skills between countries in the region. **Qualification & Recognition**
2. Sustained availability of quality skills development services in your country, including sustainable financing, participation of employers and continual upgrading of trainers. **Sustainable systems**
3. Usable labour market information and other data to ensure that training meets national and international demands, currently and in the future. **Information for relevance**
4. Effective approaches to ensure skills development for specific groups (such as women, youth, older workers, disabled people, etc.) **Accessibility**
5. Soft skills - developing curricula and standards for areas such as entrepreneurship, leadership, life skills, etc. **Core Skills**
6. Issues specific to very small countries - effective skill systems in these cases. **Small countries**
7. Financing training for in- and out-migrating workers. **Migration**



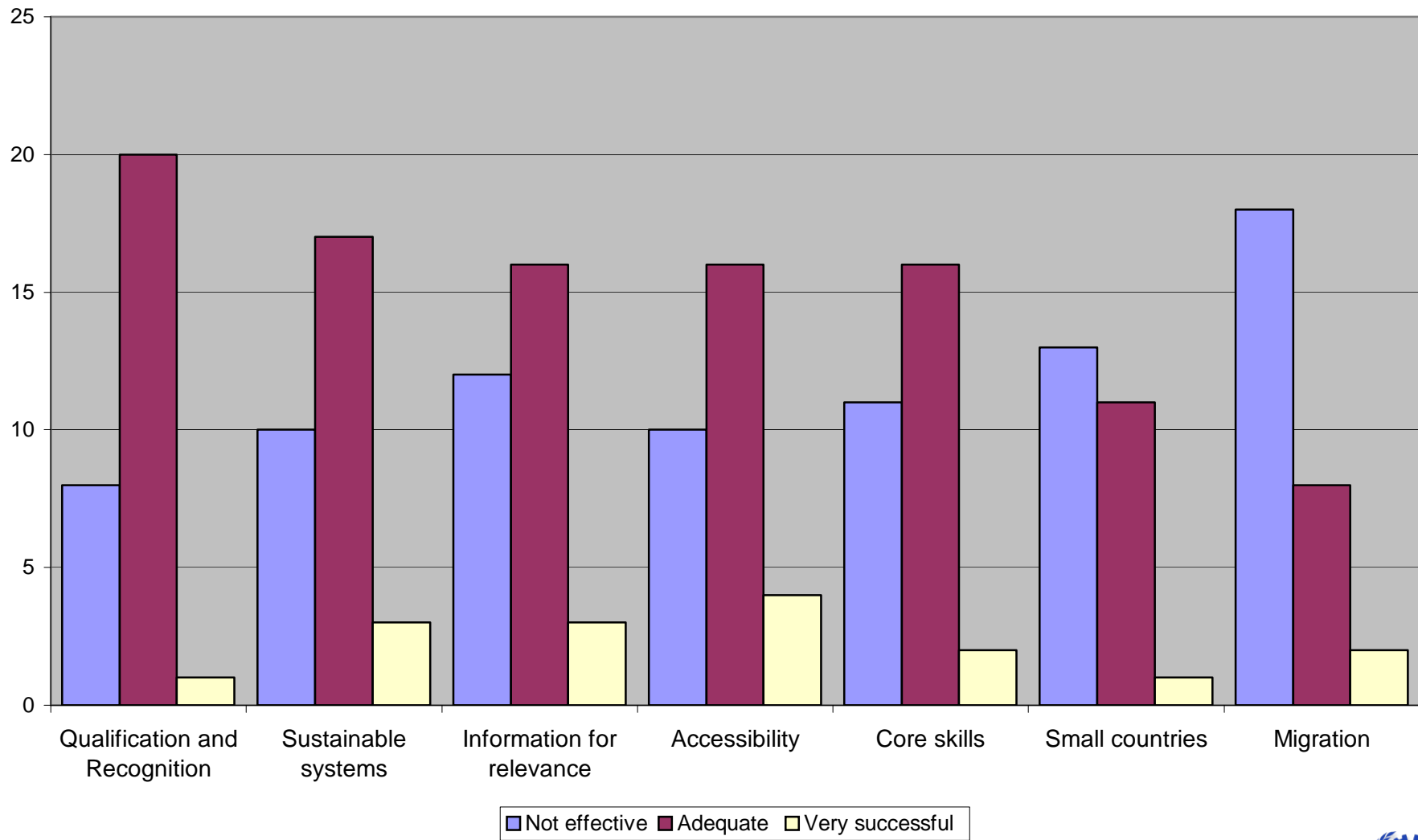
Relative importance of issues over the next 2-4 years



Something to learn/something to offer



**How successful has the Regional Skills Network and the ILO been in promoting regional knowledge sharing and assistance in each area?**



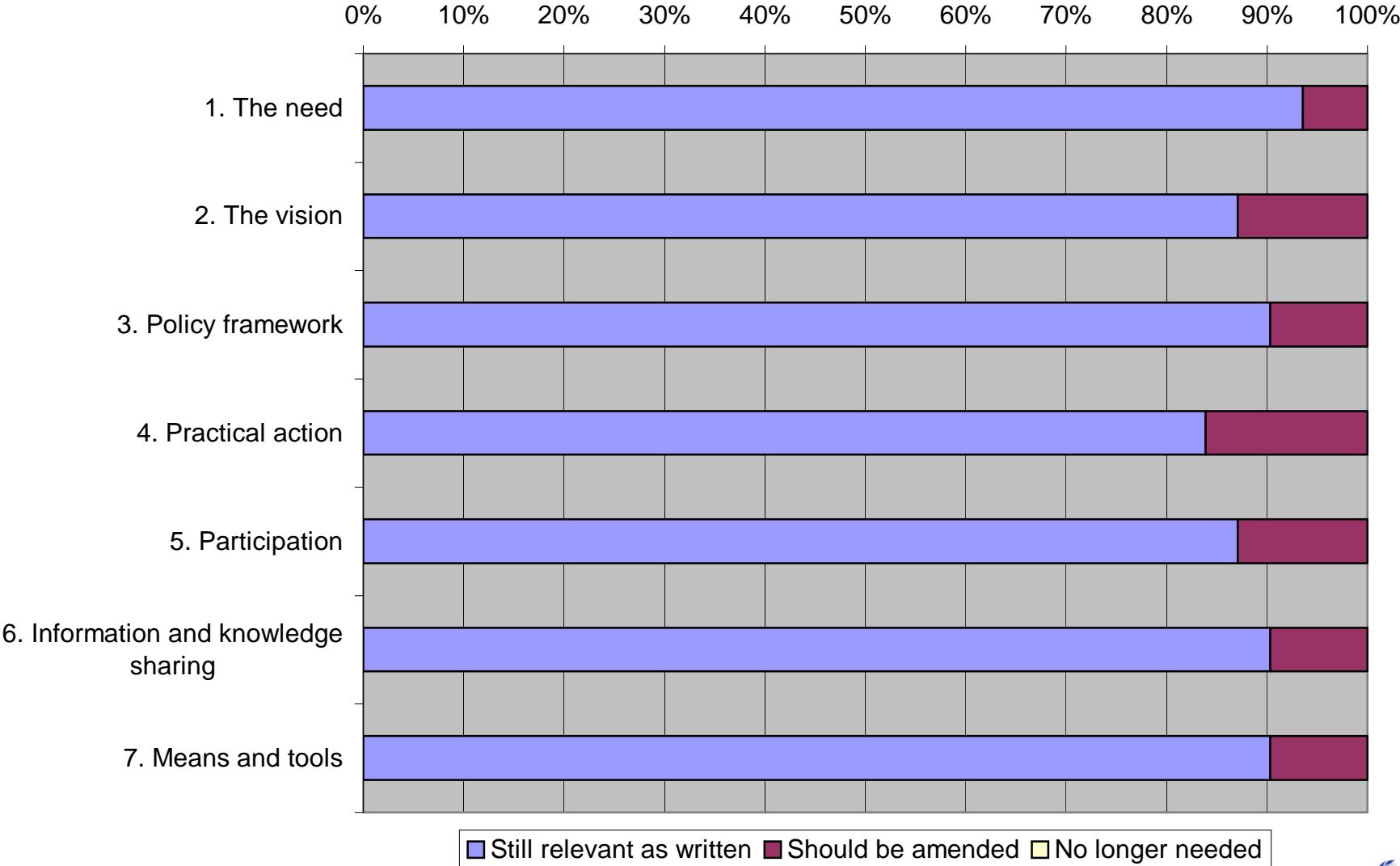
## Framework for Cooperation

A short document setting out the basic principles for how the ILO (through SKILLS-AP) and members of the Network will work together

1. The need
2. The vision
3. Policy framework
4. Practical action
5. Participation
6. Information and knowledge sharing
7. Means and tools



### Need to edit the Framework for Cooperation - by section

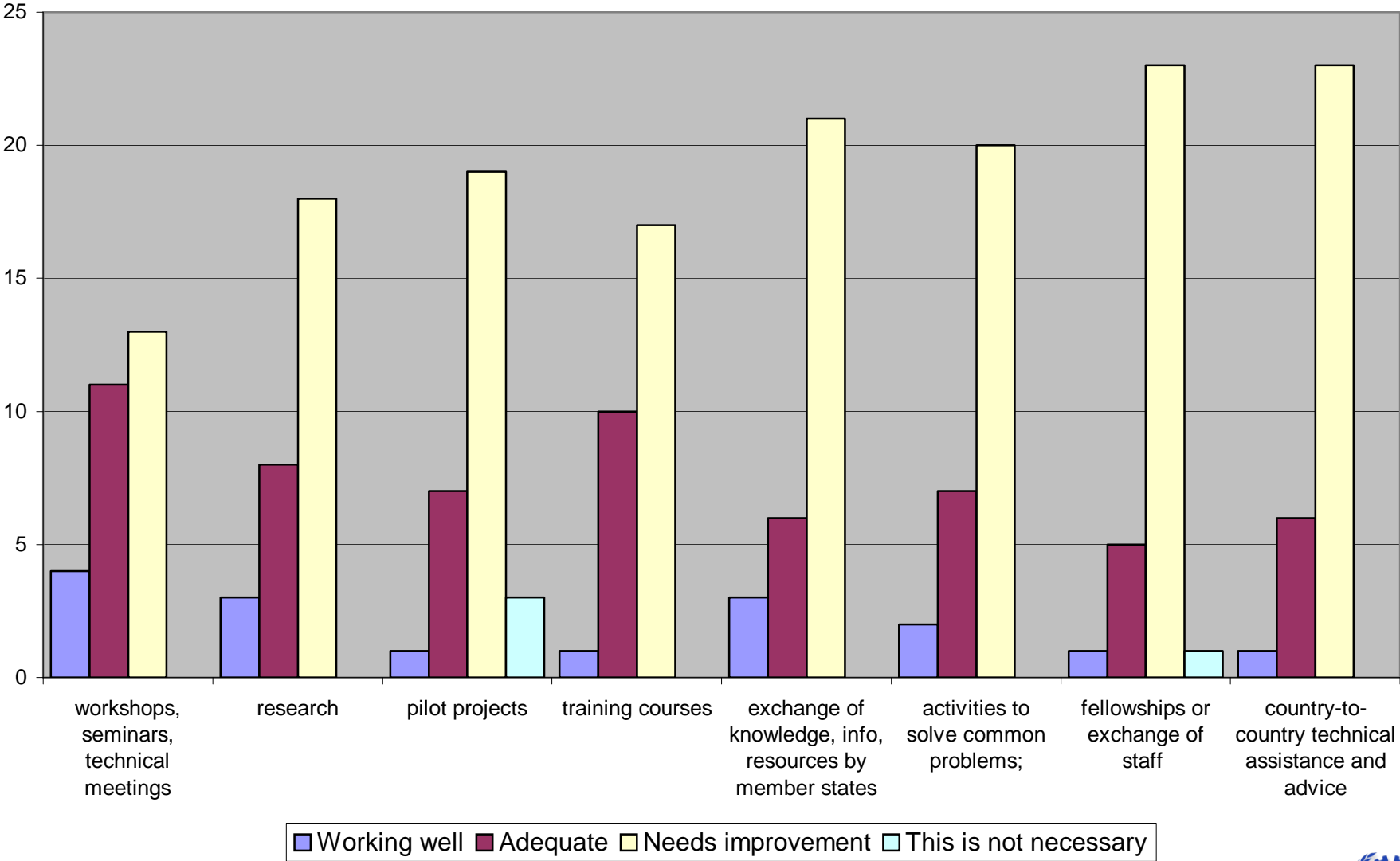


## 8 'practical activities' for SKILLS-AP and the Network

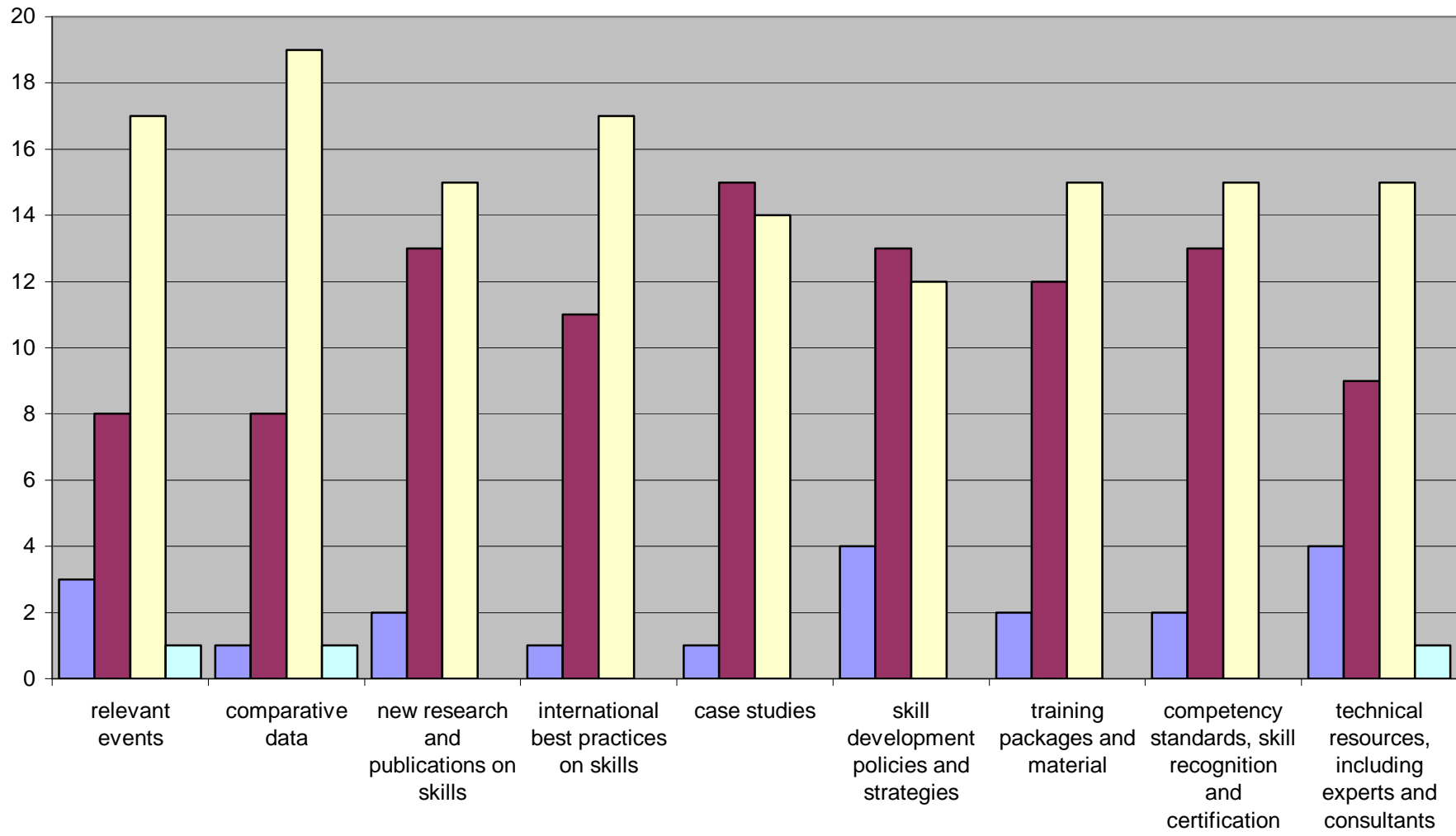
1. workshops, seminars, technical meetings on specific activities related to skills development;
2. research on key skills issues in the region
3. pilot projects at regional, sub-regional and country level
4. training courses on specific skills topics
5. exchange of knowledge, information and training resources between and among member states with common interest
6. activities to solve common problems
7. fellowships or exchange of staff between network members to improve the level of skills of instructors, administrators, web and computer technicians etc.
8. opportunities for country-to-country technical assistance and advice



Assessment of performance on the 8 types of practical action



Assessment of information sharing



■ Working well 
 ■ Adequate 
 ■ Needs improvement 
 ■ This is not necessary

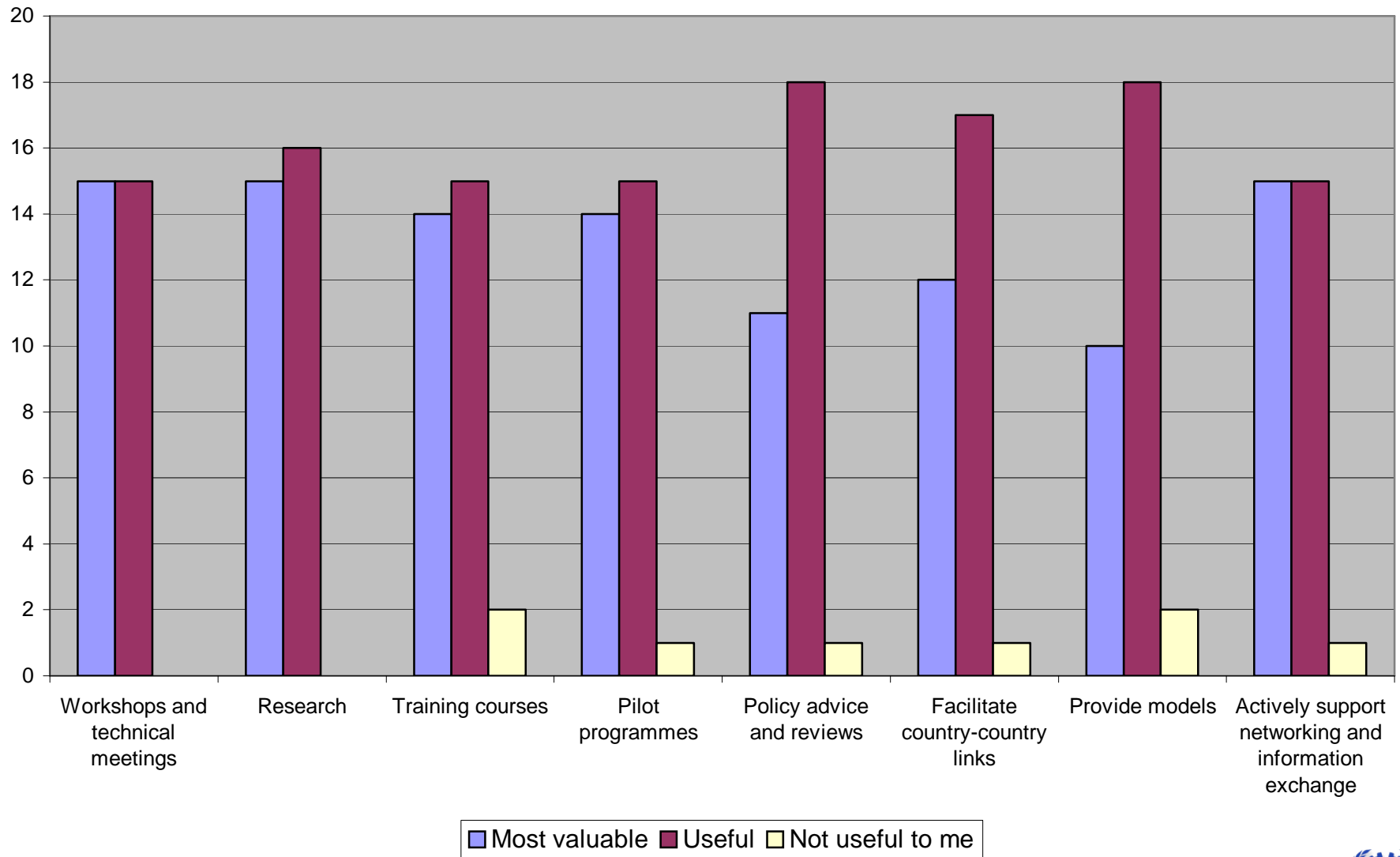


## **Some more general questions about how the Office supports you**

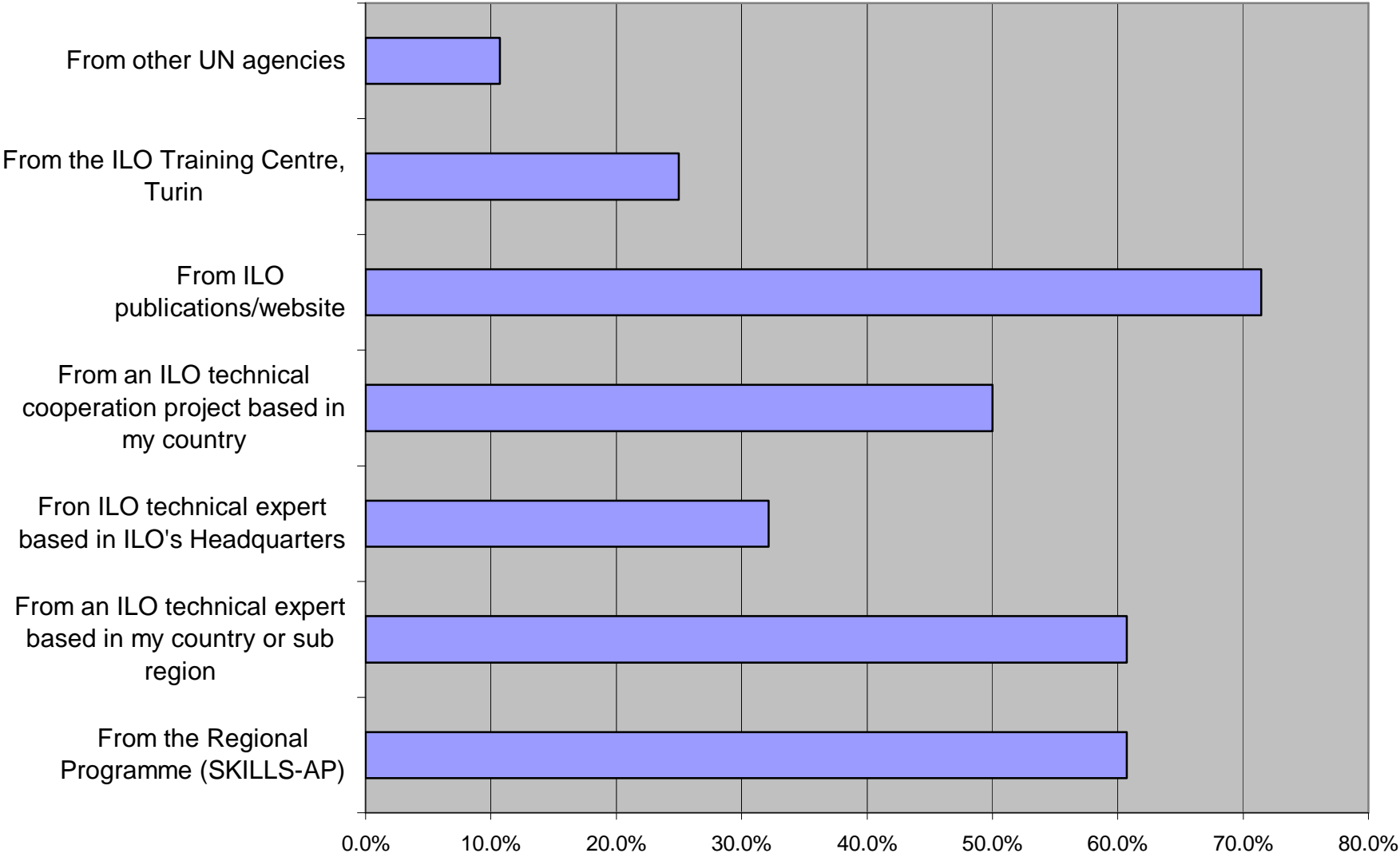
- Answers to these questions will help guide the development of SKILLS-AP.
- They also give useful feedback on areas to improve.



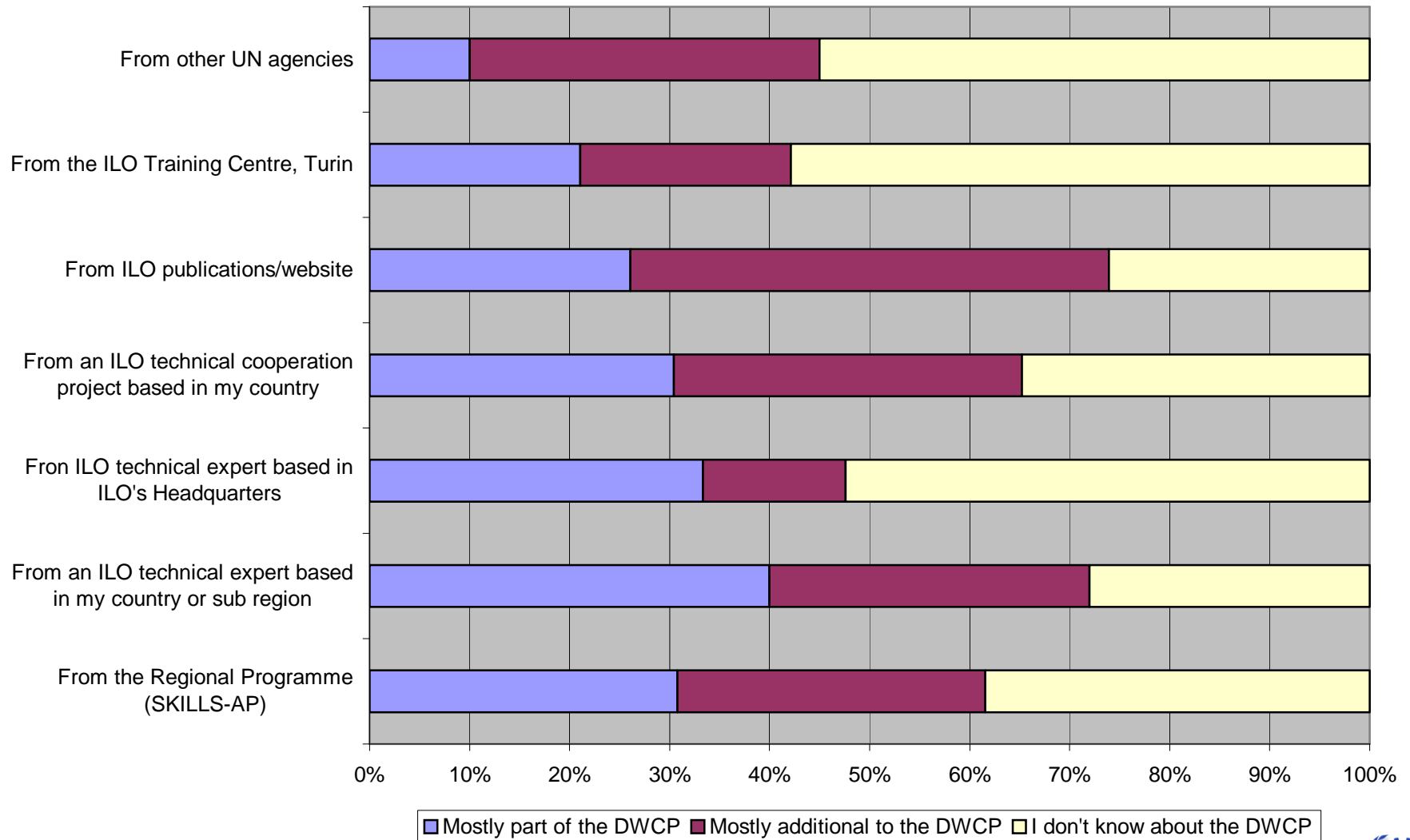
Most valued areas of support from the ILO



How respondents receive support from the ILO



### Degree to which ILO assistance from different sources is part of the Decent Work Country Programme



## **Regional and National Activities of SKILLS-AP/Regional Skills Network**

- Since 2005 there have been more than 25 events: technical meetings, workshops and trainings, at the regional level and in national events following-up on regional work or drawing on resources across the region to address a national concern.
- In addition there have been a number of new publications: some more widely distributed, others developed as part of specific projects.
- The most obvious conclusion is ‘there is more going on than any of us realizes’.

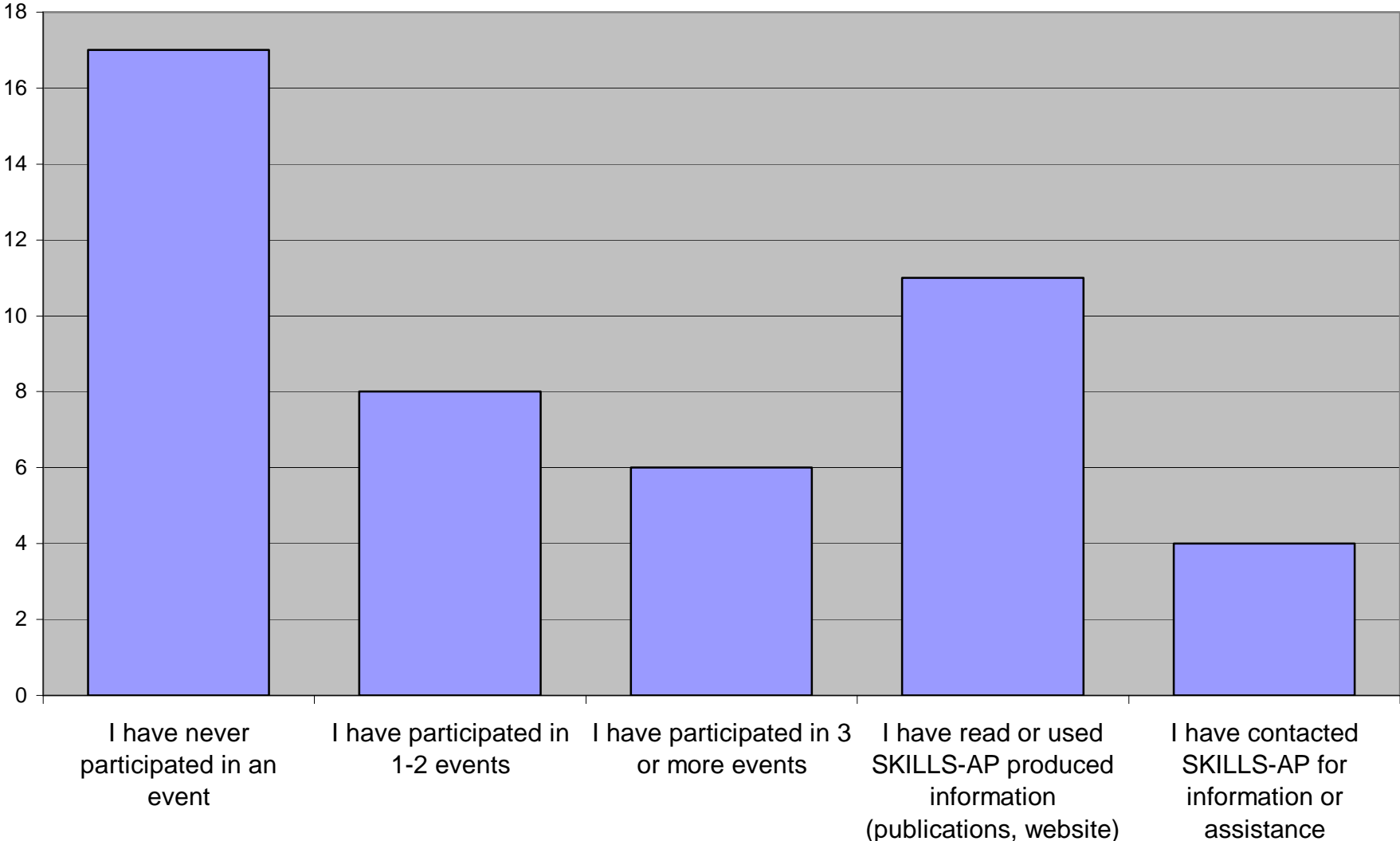


## Participation in and value of the regional events

- Time does not allow for an in-depth analysis of participant responses to the various events, but this will be done.
- To date we have responses from participants in all but a few (mainly national) meetings.
- However, the majority of respondents have not participated in an event until this one.



Past experience with SKILLS-AP Activities - total respondents = 32



## Some concluding thoughts

- The priority areas continue to be of value, but some much less so than others.
- While ILO assistance is valued, in most practical ways there is seen to be considerable room for improvement – possibly mainly in terms of marketing information that is available!
- There is a relatively low level of awareness about Decent Work Country Programmes.
- Constituents receive assistance from ILO in a range of ways – from SKILLS-AP, from the regional technical specialists, and from other parts of the ILO. This suggests a need to ensure that on the ILO side these efforts are coherent!
- Respondents continue to see themselves as both having ideas to share with others, as well as valuing others' advice: good conditions for a Network!





**Thank you!!!**

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