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Institutional Determinants of School-to-work Transitions

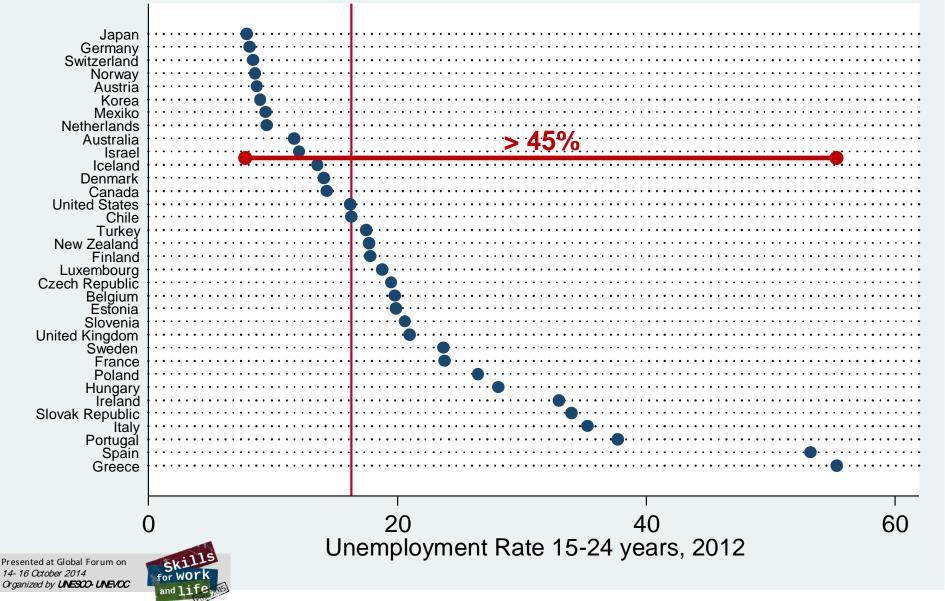
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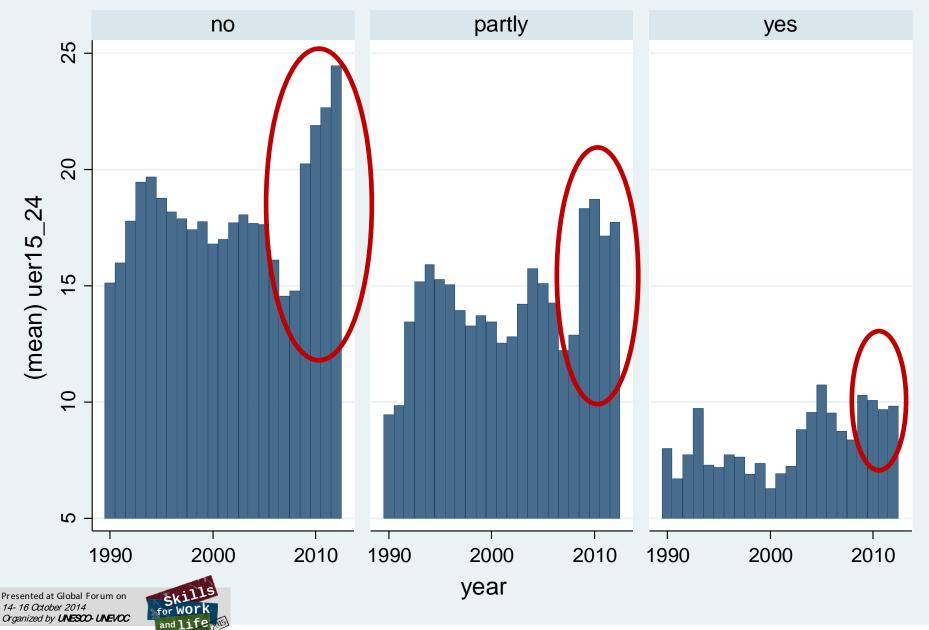
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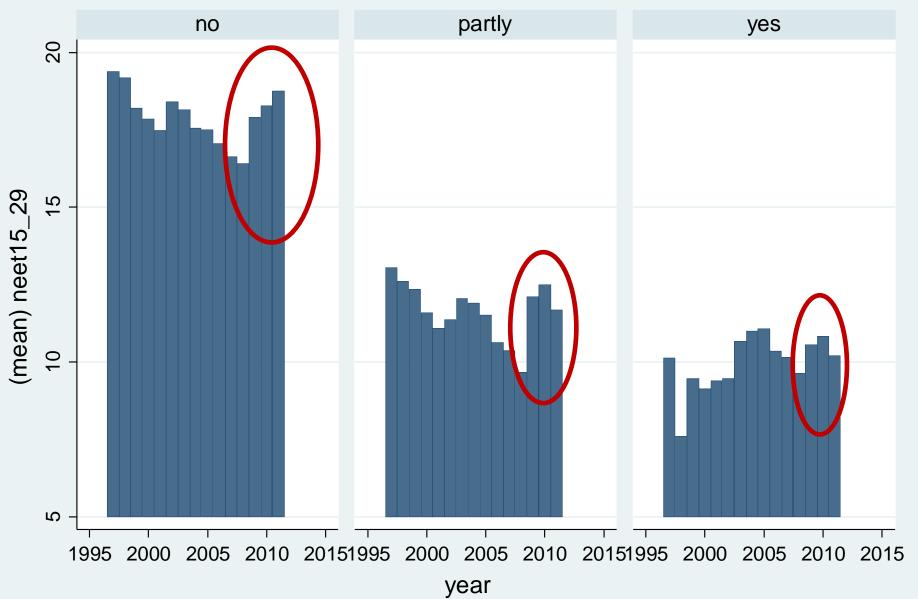
Youth Unemployment in OECD countries 2012



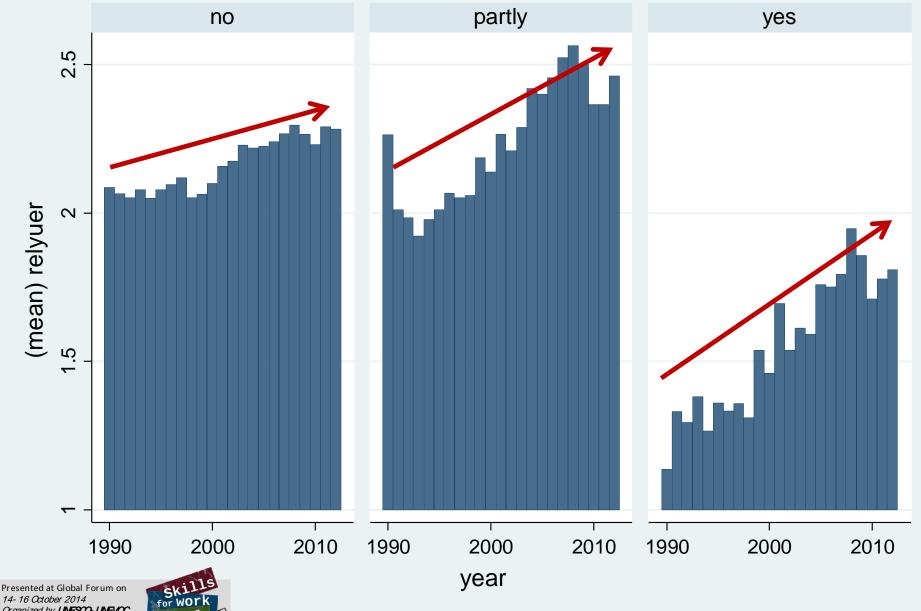
Average youth unemployment rates by dual system



Average yearly NEET rates by dual system



Average relative youth unemployment rates by dual system



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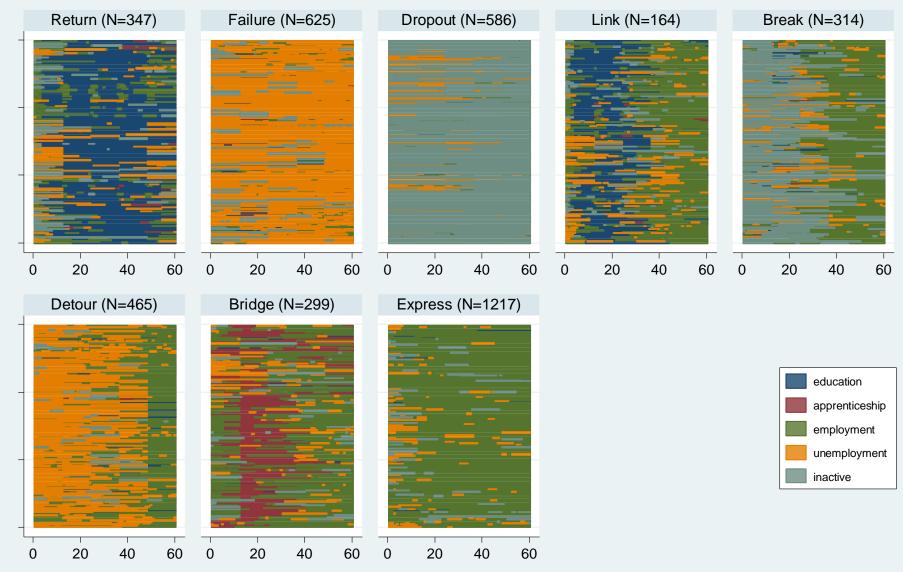
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The Dual System...

- ... is corporatist organised & requires investments from employers,
- ... fits apprentices with industry-specific qualifications,
- ... provides theoretical and practical vocational qualifications,
- ... introduces apprentices into working environment,
- ... facilitates screening of apprentices for employers and
- ... is highly standardised regarding its curricula.
- ➢ in short: The dual system tightly connects school and labour market.
- However, there are disadvantages:
 - inertia (structural change)
 - stratifying/levelling effect (education, migrants, transition system)

School-to-Work Transition Types

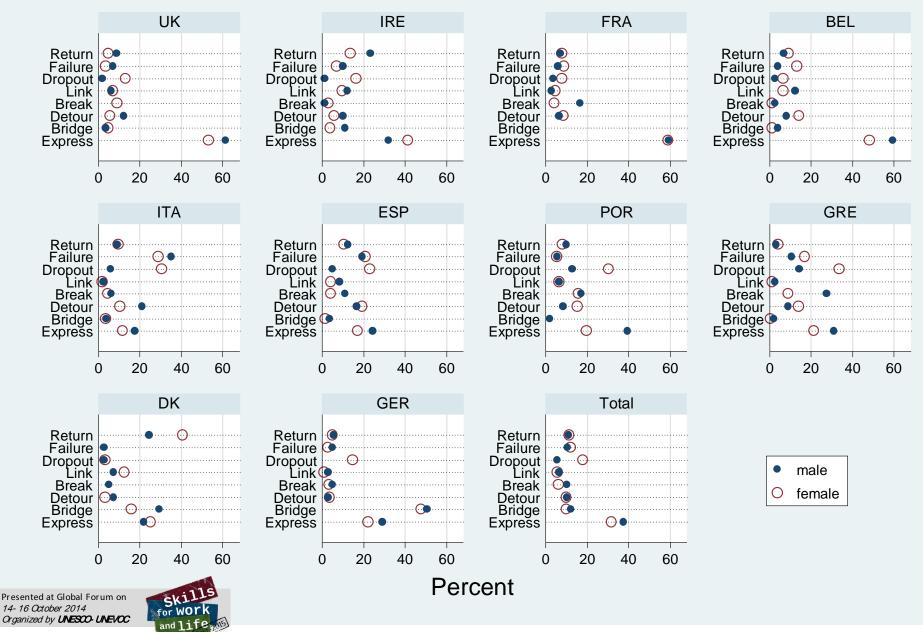


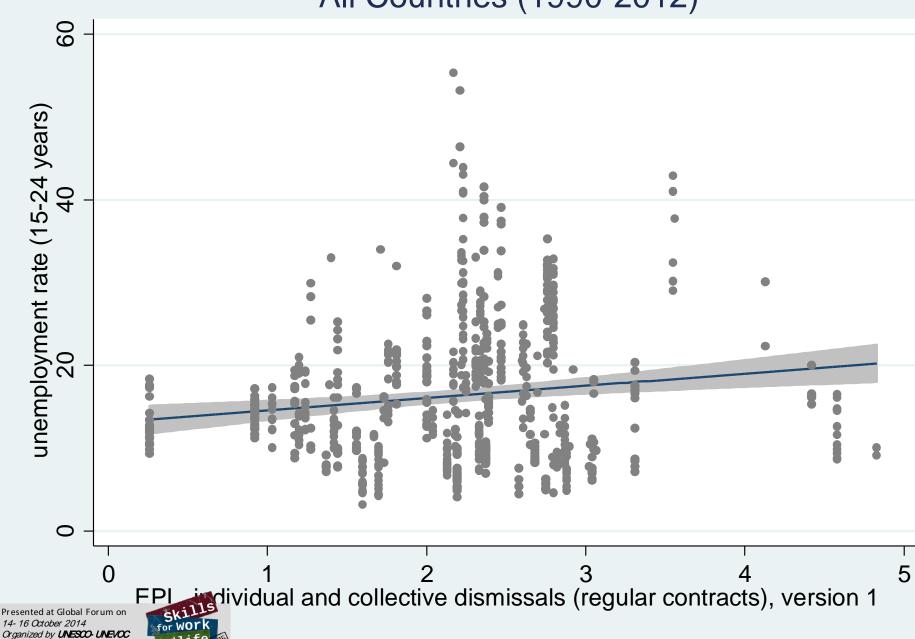
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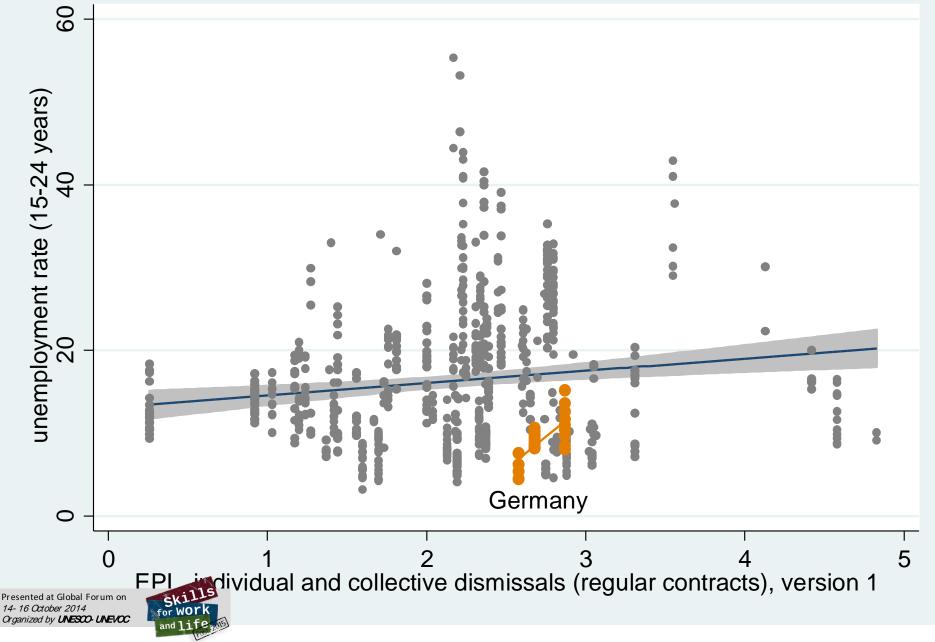


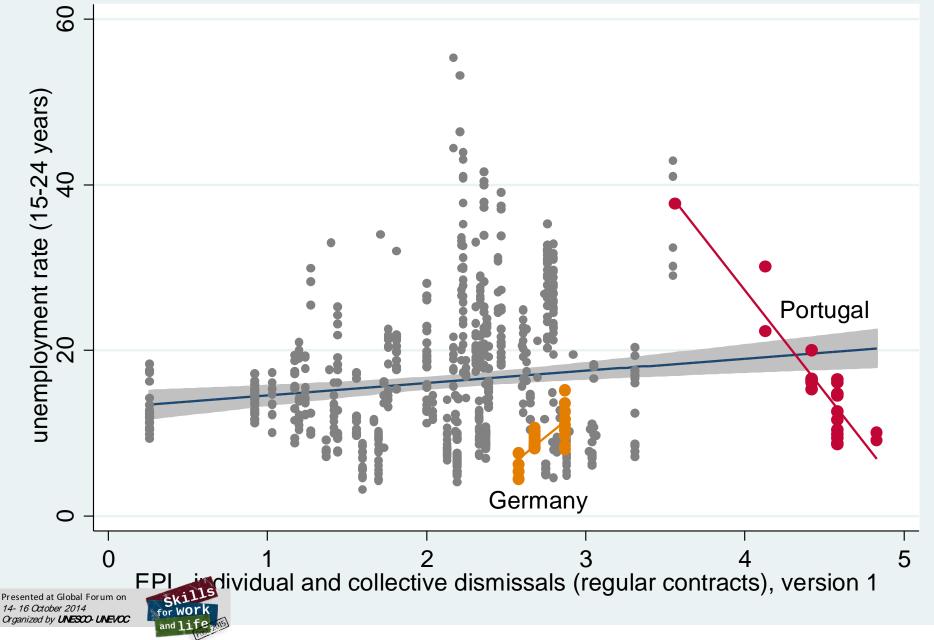
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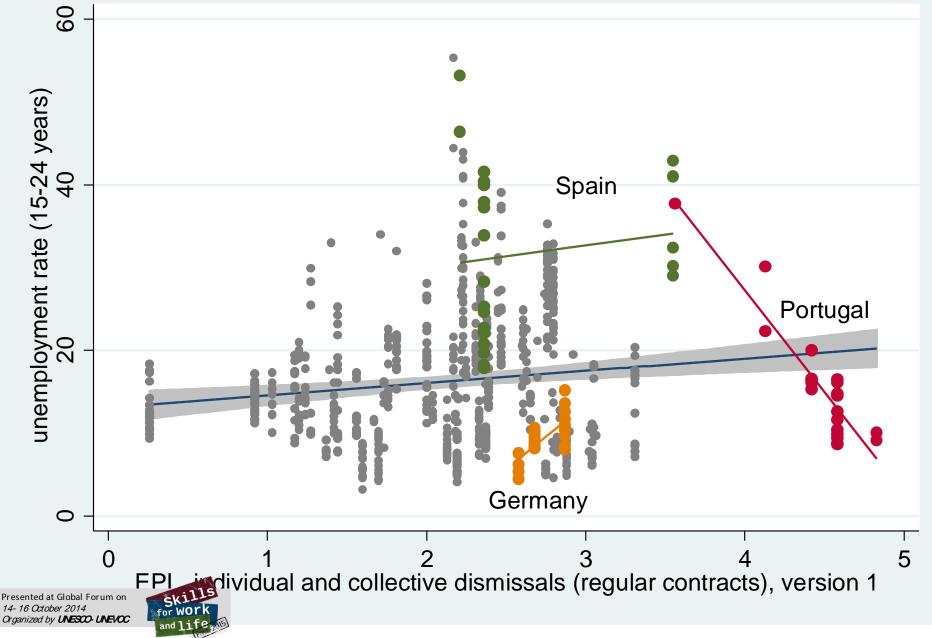
STWT Types across Countries

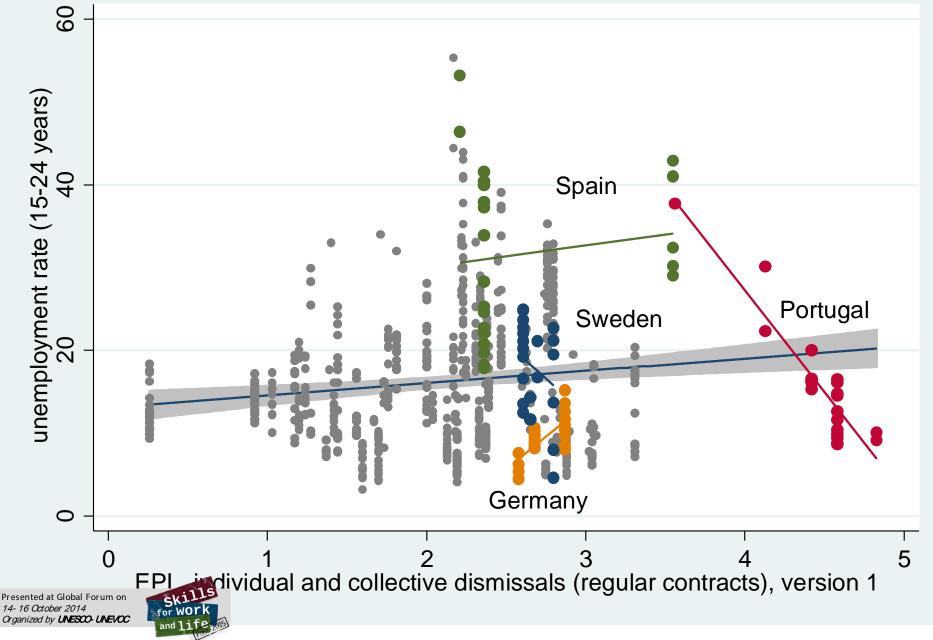




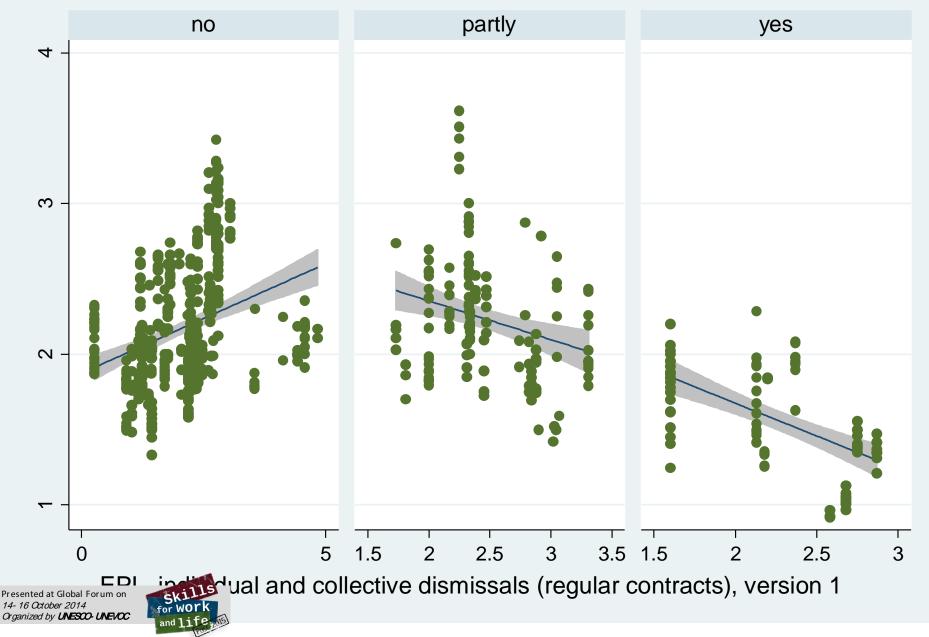




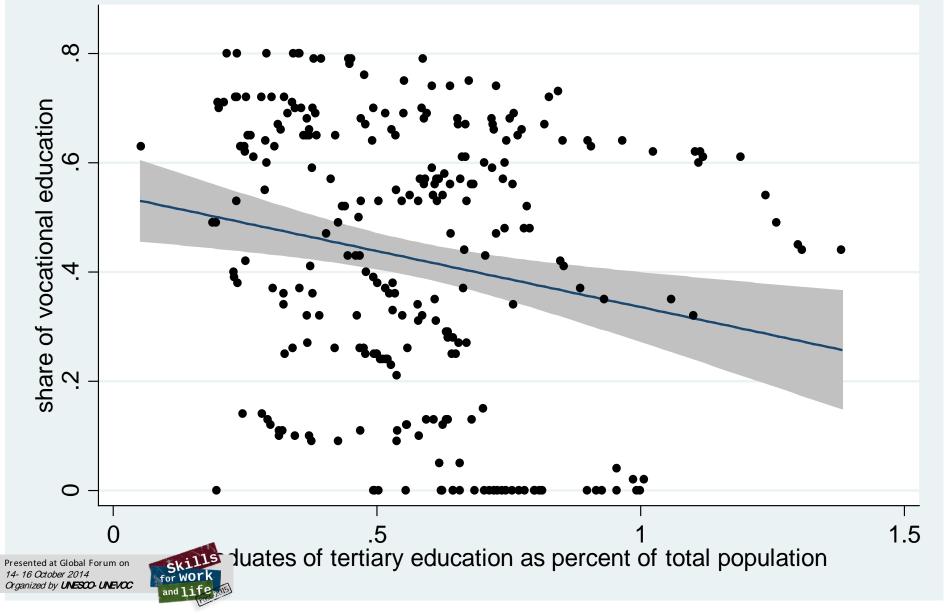




Relative youth unemployment and EPL, by dual system



Vocational Education and Tertiary Education OECD countries, 1998-2007





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Summary

- Vocational training & apprenticeships (Dual System) well coordinate the transition between education system and labour market
- Institutional effects are not constant across countries
- Despite clear differences in countries' institutional configurations, certain transition types appear in every system
- employment protection is not bad for young people per se as long as it is combined with qualificational signals
- vocational education and tertiary education are to some extent complementary



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