



Skills, jobs and sustainable development: global trends and local challenges

UNESCO – Cedefop global skills conference
 20 and 21 October 2016, Paris, France

Organisers	UNESCO and Cedefop
Venue	UNESCO Headquarters (Room IX) 125 avenue de Suffren 75007 Paris France
Working languages	English; interpretation available into and from French and Spanish

Conference programme

Thursday, 20 October 2016	
8.30-9.30	Registration of participants and welcome coffee
9.30-10.45 Room IX	<p>Official opening of the conference and keynote speeches</p> <p>Skills in the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda</p> <p>Moderator: Borhene Chakroun – Chief of Section for Youth, Literacy and Skills Development, UNESCO</p> <p>Opening addresses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opportunities and challenges for skills in the context of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda <i>David Atchoarena (Director of the Division for Policies and Lifelong Learning Systems, UNESCO)</i> • Fostering skills and talent in the EU to rise up to global challenges <i>Mara Brugia (Deputy Director, Cedefop)</i> <p>Keynote speeches:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The future of jobs and implications for skills <i>Saadia Zahidi (World Economic Forum)</i> • EU skills agenda: working together to strengthen human capital,

	<p>employability and competitiveness Ana-Carla Pereira (European Commission)</p>
10.45-11.15	Tea/coffee break
11.15-12.30 Room IX	<p>SESSION I (Plenary, panel discussion) Global trends and skills: common forces, different challenges Moderator: Pascaline Descy – Head of Department for Skills and Labour Market, Cedefop Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moazam Mahmood (ILO) • Ben Gardiner (Cambridge Econometrics) • Dirk van Damme (OECD)
12.30-14.00	Lunch break
14.00-15.30	<p>SESSION II (Parallel sessions)</p> <p>Parallel session 1 (Room III) Digitisation of economies and the 4th industrial revolution: changing work, jobs and skills Moderator: Konstantinos Pouliakas – Cedefop Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maurizio Curtarelli (Ecorys) • Vincenzo Spiezia (OECD) • Ioannis Maghiros (European Commission) <p>This session will be in English only.</p> <hr/> <p>Parallel session 2 (Room VI) Global challenges, drivers of change and future skills needs Moderator: Alena Zukersteinova – Cedefop Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hélène Guiol and Camille Courchesne (UNESCO) • Euarda Castel Branco (ETF) • Hernan Araneda (Chile foundation) • Changxing Zhao (Central Institute for Vocational and Technical Education, China) <p>This session will be in English only.</p> <hr/> <p>Parallel session 3 (Room IX) Skills and inequality Moderator: Katerina Ananiadou – UNESCO Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marson Raherimandimby (Ministry of Employment, Technical Education and Vocational Training, Madagascar) • Aaron Benavot (UNESCO)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eva Jespersen (UNDP) • Maria Hartl (IFAD) <p>Interpretation from and into French and Spanish will be available for this session.</p> <hr/> <p>Parallel session 4 (Room VII)</p> <p>Making use of big data to enrich labour market intelligence</p> <p>Moderator: Vladimir Kvetan – Cedefop</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Miroslav Beblavy (CEPS and Slovak Parliament) • Bledi Taska (Burning Glass Technologies) <p>This session will be in English only.</p>
<p>15.30-17.00</p> <p>Room IX</p>	<p>SESSION III (Plenary, speeches)</p> <p>Making TVET responsive: Strengthening skills governance for better education and training provision</p> <p>Moderator: Hiromichi Katayama – UNESCO</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International skills governance as a reply to labour market challenges Olga Strietska-Ilina (ILO) • Skills governance as a reply to labour market challenges in Europe Konstantinos Pouliakas (Cedefop) • Adapting education and training to skills requirements in an OECD country: example of Australia Craig Fowler (NCVER, Australia) • Adapting education and training to skills requirements in a middle-income country: example of Morocco Jamal Eddine El Aloua (Ministry of National Education and Vocational Training, Morocco)
<p>17.00-18.00</p> <p>UNESCO restaurant, 7th floor</p>	<p>SESSION IV (Poster exhibition, refreshments)</p> <p>Anticipate future – Act now: how skills forecasting feeds into local policies across the world</p> <p>Country examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FYROM: Marek Radvansky (Slovak Academy of Sciences) • FRANCE: Sandrine Aboubadra-Pauly (France Stratégie) • MEDITERRANEAN: Hélène Guiol and Camille Courchesne (UNESCO) • BRASIL: Felipe Morgado (Senai) • SINGAPORE: Johnny Sung (Institute for adult learning) • POLAND: Arthur Gajdos (University of Lodz) • KOREA: Cheol Hee Kim (KRIVET) • UKRAINE: Ben Kriechel (Economix) • GERMANY: Ben Kriechel (Economix) • EU: Vladimir Kvetan (Cedefop)

Friday, 21 October 2016

8.00-9.30	Arrival of participants and coffee
9.30-11.00 Room IX	<p>SESSION V (Plenary, speeches) VET qualifications in a global context: making them relevant and aiding comparison Moderator: George Kostakis – Cedefop</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewing VET content as a response to global trends <i>Sally Messenger (WorldSkills)</i> • Connecting learners records <i>Ricardo Torres (National Student Clearing House, USA)</i> • Qualifications frameworks to aid comparison and recognition of qualifications <i>Slava Pevec Grm (Cedefop)</i> • African Qualifications Verification Network: an overview and looking ahead <i>Joel Samuels (SAQA, South Africa)</i>
11.00-11.30	Tea/coffee break
11.30-12.30 Room IX	<p>SESSION VI (Plenary, panel discussion) Discussing possibility of setting up a global partnership on skills anticipation and skills governance for technical vocational education and training (TVET) provision Moderator: David Atchoarena – Director of the Division for Policies and Lifelong Learning Systems, UNESCO Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Borhene Chakroun (UNESCO)</i> • <i>Glenda Quintini (OECD)</i> • <i>Olga Strietska-Ilina (ILO)</i> • <i>Madlen Serban (ETF)</i> • <i>Mitra Sabyasachi (ADB)</i> • <i>Norbert Schöbel (European Commission)</i>
12.30 Room IX	<p>Official closing of the conference followed by lunch</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Borhene Chakroun – UNESCO • Pascaline Descy – Cedefop