

Skills for people **Skills** for competitiveness Skills for sustainability

> 20 September 2023 10:00 - 13:00 CEST Brussels, European Parliament, Spinelli 1E2













PROGRAMME

The event will be facilitated by Clara Drammeh, Mixed Message Moderation

WEDNESDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER 2023

(indicated times are CEST)

9.30-10.00 Welcome coffee and registration

10.00-10.15 Setting the scene: the transformative power of skills for Europe's future

- MEP Dragoş Pîslaru, Chair of the EMPL Committee, European Parliament
- Joost Korte, Director-General, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, European Commission

10.15-11.00 Skills for people, competitiveness, sustainability: a vision for the future Directors of the five agencies

- Labour matching Cosmin Boiangiu, Executive Director, ELA
- Education and training in regard to health and safety William Cockburn, Interim Executive Director, EU-OSHA
- Labour shortage beyond skills Ivailo Kalfin, Executive Director, Eurofound
- Trends and future and existing programmes Jürgen Siebel, Executive Director, Cedefop
- EU global approach to skills and education Pilvi Torsti, Director, ETF

Q&A with MEPs and stakeholders (15 min)

11.00-11.10 **Short break**

11.10-11.55 Getting the right balance: skills the EU needs to meet the demands of the labour market in a green and digital transition Expert discussion with the agencies

- Irene Mandl, Head of Unit, ELA
- Ilias Livanos, Expert, Cedefop
- Tina Weber, Research manager, Eurofound

Q&A with MEP Sara Matthieu

(Greens/European Free Alliance) and other stakeholders

11.55-12.30 Getting the right balance: challenges and opportunities to ensure the future is fair, just, healthy and safe for the EU and beyond Expert discussion with the agencies

- Eduarda Castel Branco, Senior expert, ETF
- Elke Schneider, Senior OSH and policy specialist, EU-OSHA

Q&A with MEP Agnes Jongerius and MEP João Albuquerque (Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats) and other stakeholders

12.30-12.40

Closing remarks

- Denis Genton, Director European Pillar of Social Rights, Strategy (EMPL.A), DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, European Commission
- MEP Dragos Pîslaru, Chair of the EMPL Committee, European Parliament

12.40-13.30 **Light networking lunch**

During the European Year of Skills, five EU agencies under the remit of DG Employment and Social Affairs (Cedefop, Eurofound, EU-OSHA, the ETF and ELA) will share their complementary labour market and skills intelligence. Together with Member of the European Parliament and the European Commission they will discuss with key stakeholders the challenges and opportunities involved in tackling labour and skill shortages.

Skills and 'the right to quality and inclusive education, training and lifelong learning' is principle Number 1 of the European Pillar of Social Rights.

- But what skills are needed now, what are the gaps, where are the shortages, and
- what will be needed tomorrow?
- what initiatives can be successful in anticipating future skills needs?

Join the debate and discover the latest findings on current and future skills needs, and the implications for working conditions, and safety and health. Be part of shaping bold priorities for the EU's long-term growth, sustainability, and inclusion ambitions.

The presentation and debate will be held in English. Participation in the event is by invitation only.