



Cedefop Skills Forecast: Preparing the 2020 release

14-15 November 2019, Vienna, Austria

General information

Workshop venue	Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw - Wiener Institut für Internationale Wirtschaftsvergleiche) Rahlgasse 3, 1060 Vienna, Austria.
Organisers	European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training (Cedefop), Cambridge Econometrics (CE).
No. of participants	The event is restricted to invited experts.
Participants' profile	National experts in skills forecasting and labour market analysis.
Working language	English

Introduction

The preparation of Cedefop Skills Forecast is supported by an EU network of experts in skills and labour market forecasting. Such a network of Individual Country Experts (ICEs) covers all countries the Skills Forecast produces estimates for and contributes to the validation and the further development of it. Cedefop organises regular technical workshops so as to provide a platform for experts to meet and provide feedback to Cedefop. The aim is to involve national experts in the process of preparing the Skills Forecast, drawing on their expertise in the field but also on their knowledge of their country's labour market. Such an exercise not only validates the Skills Forecast but also facilitates the story-building around the results.

Workshop rational and objectives

The workshop provides an opportunity to bring together the research team and the group of ICEs, together with Cedefop staff, to work towards:

- Validating the 2020 Skills Forecast;
- Discussing various aspects of the methodology;
- Brainstorming on emerging issues affecting the future of work;
- Story-building of the results.

Workshop structure and methods

The workshop will be organised as a series of presentations and discussions. Background notes will be circulated in advance. These will be prepared by team members so that participants are informed on the key issues to be debated. The aim of the sessions is to develop a focussed dialogue with individual country experts. For the structured group discussions, each country expert will be allocated to a country group. In each country group, the discussions will be facilitated by a member of the research team and a Country Group Expert (CGE). The CGE will synthesise the country group discussion and report back to the complete workshop group.

Agenda

Thursday 14th November	
09:00 – 09:30	Arrival and registration
	Chair: Ilias Livanos
09:30 – 09:35	Welcome and opening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mario Holzner (Executive Director of Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies)
09:35 – 09:45	Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ilias Livanos (Cedefop)
09:45 – 10:45	Session 1: Sectoral employment forecast <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Macro-economic assumptions. • Presentation of main results and findings. <i>The project team</i> • Short Q&A session • Outline of suggested sensitivities to accompany the main projections. <i>The project team</i>
10:45 – 11:15	Coffee break
11:15 – 13:00	Session 2: Structured group discussion on the forecast results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to the session. • Structured group discussion facilitated by CGEs.
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch

Chair: Mike May-Gillings	
14:00 – 14:30	CGE feedback on group discussions
14:30 – 15:30	Session 3: Occupation and qualification forecast <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of main results, findings and issues. <i>The project team</i> • Q&A session
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee break
16:00 – 17:00	Session 4: Replacement demand forecast <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of main results, findings & issues.

	<p><i>The project team</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Q&A session
17:00	<i>End of day 1</i>
20:00	<i>Dinner</i>

Friday 15th November	
	Chair: Ilias Livanos
09:00 – 11:00	<p>Session 1: Structured group discussion on the forecast results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improvements to reporting of the forecast results, including censoring. • Short Q&A session. • Structured group discussion facilitated by CGEs. • CGE feedback on group discussions.
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:30– 13:15	<p>Session 2: The future of employment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short presentation of the future of work (incl. automation) by the project team. • Structured group discussion facilitated by CGEs.
13:15-13:30	<p>Session 3: Closing session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lessons learned from the workshop and future steps. • Concluding remarks.
13:30	<i>End of the workshop</i>
13:30– 14:30	<i>Light lunch</i>

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