





# Welcome to the "Changing the skills needs in Israel: recent findings and policy implications" workshop

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It's All in the Numbers!



### Israel in Figures





• State Area: 22,072 KM

Land Area: 98%

Area of Lakes (Sea of Galilee and Dead Sea): 2%



• Population size: 9.6 M

74% Jews, 21% Arabs, 5% Others



• Life Expectancy: 82.0

(F=84.9, M=80.9)



• GDP per Capita: 52,170.71 USD

(GDP): 3.1%, Q1, 2023



#### Intro to Israeli Central Bureau of Statistics

- ICBS was established at 1948
- ICBS main goal is to provide the nation with accurate data to support decisionmaking processes and policy planning
- ICBS employs 1166 workers and operates with a budget of \$ 100 M



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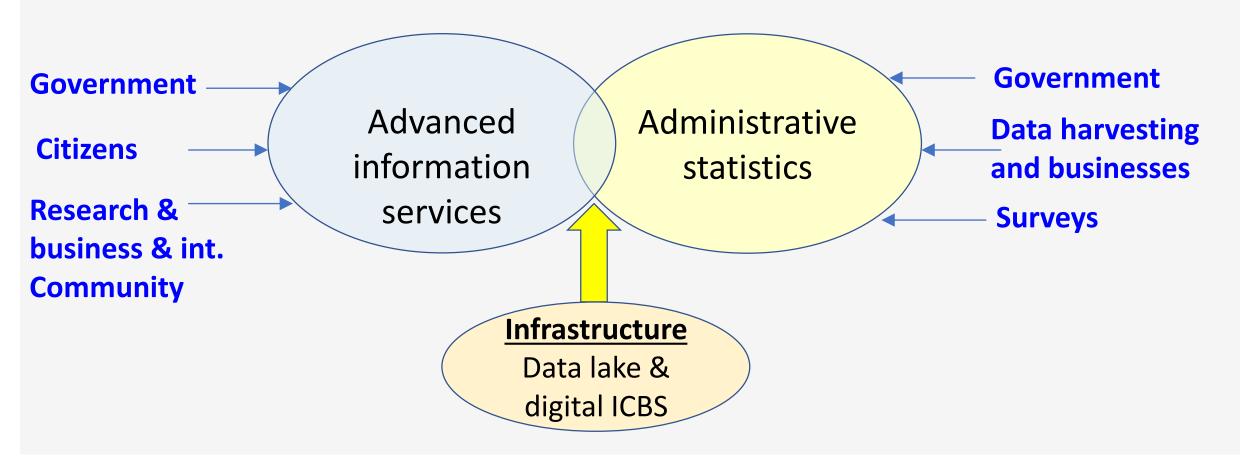
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(UN, International Monetary Fund, OECD)





#### Vision for ICBS



## Why this workshop is important?



The European Skills and Jobs Survey for Israel, a vital tool for shaping Vocational Education and Training (VET) policies, will be presented today.



- This presentation and ensuing discussions hold immense significance for the following reasons:
  - **Education planning** Governments allocate significant resources to education, raising the question of whether the return on investment (ROI) justifies this expenditure.
  - Economic Competitiveness equips Israel to compete effectively on the international stage
  - Reduces unemployment reduces job-market mismatches, promoting workforce productivity
  - Innovation Leadership: Identifying upcoming skills helps Israel maintain its innovation edge in technology (such as AI) and emerging sectors



# What are the skills needs in Israel for a prosperous future?



In 6 simple lines, what are the skills needs in Israel for a prosperous future?



- 1. **Tech Prowess:** Strong grasp of coding, AI, and technology.
- 2. Security Savvy: Expertise in cybersecurity to counter threats.
- 3. Startup Drive: Entrepreneurial skills to boost innovation.
- 4. **STEM Proficiency:** Strong foundation in science and tech fields.
- 5. Global Communication: Cross-cultural interaction capabilities.
- 6. Sustainability Skills: Environmental consciousness for growth.





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#### Conclusions

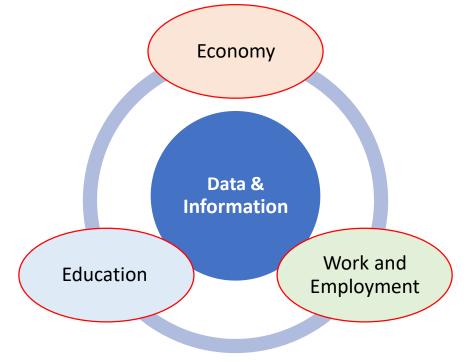


Staying ahead of the curve by anticipating and preparing for future skill needs is crucial for Israel's long-term success and prosperity.

It enables the country to navigate the challenges and capitalize on the opportunities

presented by a rapidly changing global landscape.

Even more important is the collaboration:



We greatly appreciate the valuable support of the European Training Foundation.

# Thank you for taking part in this important endeavor





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