SKILLS FOR THE FUTURE: MANAGING TRANSITION

21-22 NOVEMBER 2018 - TURIN, ITALY

The European Training Foundation (ETF) is organising a conference in Turin on 21-22 November 2018, entitled Skills for the future: managing transition to explore how developing and transition countries can respond to the challenges of current global trends from a skills perspective. How do global forces interact with local realities and how does this affect the need for skills? How should governments, businesses, social partners, civil society, research institutions, communities and education and training providers work together to manage change? What skills policies work in different contexts?

LOCATION: built in 1895, the OGR – Officine Grandi Riparazioni used to be the largest industrial facility in Turin. It was recently reconverted into an arts centre with exhibition halls, restaurants and conference rooms. It is integrated within the new campus of Turin Polytechnic.

PARTICIPANTS: over 200 representatives from the EU and its neighbouring countries from government, industry, research community and civil society, the European Commission, international organisations and practitioners in the field of skills development. The first part of the event will be open to a wider public.

SPEAKERS: high level speakers from government, industry, the research community and civil society, the European Commission, international organisations and practitioners in the field of skills development will stimulate the discussion.

EXPERIENCE PATH: the experience path will offer participants the opportunity to visit different stands where our partners will showcase inspirational projects and activities around the key themes of skills, transition and the future.

IF YOU CAN‘T ATTEND: media coverage will be ensured at international and local level, and the plenary sessions will be live-streamed both on www.etf.europa.eu and www.politico.eu.
WEDNESDAY, 21 NOVEMBER 2018

09:00-09:30: OPENING AND WELCOME

Moderator: Eva Giovannini, RAI

Cesare Onestini, Director, ETF

Marianne Thyssen, Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs, Skills and Labour Mobility, European Commission (video message)

Paolo Mulassano, Chief Impact Innovation Officer, Compagnia di San Paolo, Italy

Guido Saracco, Rector, Politecnico di Torino, Italy

Themis Christophidou, Director General, Directorate for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture, European Commission

09:30-11:15: IMPACT OF GLOBAL TRENDS ON SKILLS IN ECONOMIES AND SOCIETIES

Moderator: Eva Giovannini, RAI

Mariya Gabriel, Commissioner for Digital Economy and Society, European Commission (video message)

Key note speech: Cesare Onestini, Director, ETF

Panel

Amany Asfour, President, International Federation of Business and Professional Women

Fabrizia Benini, Head of Unit, DG Communication Networks, Content and Technology, European Commission

Silvia Cambie, Europe Leader for Watson Workspace Ecosystem, IBM and blogger

Mario Deaglio, Professor of International Economics, University of Turin, Italy

Shada Islam, Director of Europe and Geopolitics, Friends of Europe

Sangheon Lee, Director for Employment, ILO

Thomas Roca, Economist and Data Strategist, Microsoft European and Government Affairs in Brussels

11:15-11:45: COFFEE AND EXPERIENCE PATH
11:45-13:15: IMPACT OF GLOBAL TRENDS ON DEVELOPING AND TRANSITION COUNTRIES

Moderator: Eva Giovannini, RAI

Introductory remarks: Anastasia Fetsi, Head of Operations, ETF

Panel

Majdi Hassen, Director, Arab Institute of Chefs of Enterprises (IACE), Tunisia

Biljana Radonjic Ker-Lindsay, Associate Director, Economics, Policy and Governance, EBRD

Alexander Shubin, Vice-President for Social and Economic Issues Federation of Trade Unions, Ukraine

Birgit Thomann, Director and Head of Department “VET International”, BIBB, the German Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training

Gazmend Turdiu, Deputy Secretary General, Regional Cooperation Council

13:15-15:00: LUNCH AND EXPERIENCE PATH
15:00-17:00: PARALLEL WORKSHOPS - POLICIES AND STRATEGIC CHOICES TO SUPPORT THE TRANSITION TO THE FUTURE

Equipped for the future: preparing young people
How can young people be supported to face the challenges of changing work paradigms and evolving demands for skills?

Helmut Zelloth, ETF. Facilitator: Lida Kita, ETF
Loubna Bensalah, young activist for women’s rights, Morocco
Sidney Haberland, Representative of the European Apprentices Network/ KulturLife, Germany
Jaana H. Kettunen, Research Co-ordinator, Finnish Institute for Educational Research, Finland

Skills needs uncovered: dealing with uncertainty
How can skills intelligence and transparency be enhanced using the potential of new data analytics and technology?

Eduarda Castel Branco, ETF. Facilitator: Cristina Mereuta, ETF
Mario Mezzanzanica, Fabio Mercorio, CRISP, University of Milano Bicocca, Italy
Giorgio Vernoni, Senior Researcher, Centro Einaudi and IRES Piemonte, Italy

Partnerships for transition: shaping skills policies
How can different partnership models help to shape skills policies for the future?

Siria Taurelli, ETF. Facilitator: Pasqualino Mare, ETF
Ioannis Maghiros, Head of Unit, Joint Research Center, European Commission
Duja Gharbi, 1st Vice-President, CONECT Tunisia
Marian Belko, Impact Officer, European Institute of Innovation & Technology

Ready for an unpredictable future: getting the skills mix right
How can countries define creative solutions to provide innovative skills?

Mirjam De Jong, ETF. Facilitator: Carmo Gomes, ETF
Paulo Feliciano, Vice-President, Institute for Employment and Vocational Training, Portugal
Regina Kleingeld, Manager Credential Evaluation, Cooperation Organisation for Vocational Education, Training and the Labour Market (SBB), The Netherlands
S. Tuna Sahin, Vice President of KOSGEB, Small and Medium industry development organisation, Turkey

19:30-22:30: OFFICIAL DINNER
THURSDAY, 22 NOVEMBER 2018

09.00-09.30: WHAT DID WE LEARN FROM THE WORKSHOPS?

Johannes Hahn, Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations, European Commission (video message)

Facilitator: Simona Rinaldi, ETF
Rapporteurs from day 1 workshops

09:30-10:45: THE FUTURE OF EDUCATION AND SKILLS IN THE EU AND BEYOND

Moderator: Georgios Zisimos, ETF

Key note speech: Besa Shahini, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Education, Sport and Youth, Albania

Panel

Borhene Chakroun, Head of Section, UNESCO
Zeynep Dereli, Founder and CEO, Tink Technology and Human Colleges, Turkey
Stefaan Hermans, Director, Directorate for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture, European Commission
Gerardo Larghi, European Economic and Social Committee
Agnes Roman, Advisor, European Trade Union Confederation - ETUC/ETUCE
Loukas Zahilas, Head of Department, Cedefop
10.45-11.15 COFFEE AND EXPERIENCE PATH

11.15-12:45: SUPPORTING TRANSITION TO THE FUTURE: WHAT AND HOW?

**Introductory remarks and moderation:** Jordi Curell, Director, DG EMPL, European Commission

**Discussion**

*Alberto Maria Barberis*, President, Youth Industrialists, Unione Industriale Torino, Italy

*Patrick Develtere*, Principal Advisor, European Political Strategy Centre - EPSC

*Vusal Gasimli*, Executive Director, Center for Analysis of Economic Reforms and Communication, Azerbaijan

*Mark Keese*, Head of Skills and Employability Division, Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs, OECD

*M'hammed Kouidmi*, Founder and CEO, Business Wise, Algeria

*Anna Muraveva*, Leading Expert, Centre for VET Studies, Russia

*Katarina Obradovic Jovanovic*, Assistant Minister, Ministry of Economy, Republic of Serbia

12:45-13:15 CONCLUSIONS

*Jordi Curell*, Director, DG Employment and Social Affairs and Inclusion, European Commission

*Cesare Onestini*, Director, ETF

13.15-14.30 LUNCH AND EXPERIENCE PATH
More information

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