

Launch of Education at a Glance 2020



Invitation to join OECD's Andreas Schleicher for the launch of Education at a Glance 2020 and a discussion on vocational education and training.

Andreas Schleicher, OECD Director for Education and Skills, will take part in the first-ever virtual launch of *Education at a Glance* which is being organised in collaboration with Education and Employers. The event will start with Andreas unveiling the latest data on the performance of education systems in the UK and across other OECD countries, which will be followed by a discussion on vocational education and training and the opportunity for you to take part and ask questions.

Date: 8 September 2020

Time: 12:00-13:00 (UK time)

Format: Webinar and Q&A

Vocational education and training (VET) has been hit particularly hard by Covid-19. But we know that strong VET systems can play an important role to buffer the negative economic effects of the crisis, as we saw in 2008 where countries with strong VET systems were able to keep youth unemployment low, and in turn keep their economies moving.

The crisis has also highlighted just how far modern society relies on vital services such as manufacturing and healthcare, professions which require candidates to undergo specialised vocational training to secure a job. It has brought home more than ever the need for governments to review the role vocational education and training can play for those entering work. The expert panel will discuss the role of VET in the post-coronavirus world and what steps need to be taken.

Speakers

Andreas Schleicher, Director, OECD Directorate for Education and Skills

Panellists

- **Yusra Assali, WorldSkills Champions Trust Regional Representative, Middle East and North Africa**
- **Prisha Bathia, Digital Marketing Apprentice, Google UK**
- **Jennifer Coupland, Chief Executive, Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education, England**
- **Sebastian Henke, Director Human Resources, Optima, Germany**
- **Keith Smith, Director for Post 16 Skills and Strategy, Department for Education, England**

Moderated by Nick Chambers, Chief Executive, Education and Employers

To join us for the launch of *Education at a Glance 2020*, which is being organised by the OECD in collaboration with Education and Employers, please click [here](#).

You can also make your voice heard by participating in our online poll before the event. Simply follow this [link](#) to answer the questions below. Results of the poll will be discussed during the webinar.

1. *Do you think the coronavirus crisis will change young people's career aspirations? If so how?*
2. *Do you think young people will be more interested in careers that contribute to society as a result of the coronavirus crisis?*
3. *Do you think jobs that require vocational education and training have become more attractive for young people?*