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The e-newsletter from the
OECD Higher Education Programme

[Upcoming events; OECD and higher education activities; News from our Members; OECD publications and resources; Other announcements](#)

Comme la majorité de nos membres s'exprime en anglais et afin de rationaliser davantage les ressources du programme, nous vous proposons de limiter les traductions vers le français. Le news sera donc disponible uniquement en anglais.

Upcoming events

AHELO Conference, 11-12 March - Webcast

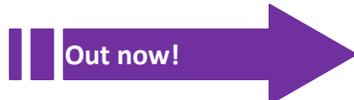
Not attending the Conference? Don't miss out!
Watch the Webcast [here](#). The password is *seventeen*.



Assessment of
Higher Education
Learning Outcomes

www.oecd.org/edu/imhemeetings

OECD and higher education activities



Out now!

What it Means for Higher Education [March 2013](#)

The quarterly "What it means for higher education" series is designed to help you navigate your way through the richness and abundance of OECD data and analysis on topics that have an impact on higher education. This series may include topics such as migration trends, demographics, economic growth, public finances, income equality and social mobility and many others.

AHELO Feasibility Study Report Volume 2: Data Analysis and National Experiences

www.oecd.org/edu/skills-beyond-school/AHELOFSReportVolume2.pdf

Web article: Transferable Skills Training for Researchers: Supporting Career Development and Research

By Ester Basri

Today's researchers require skills beyond their core competencies, as they are embarking on increasingly diverse careers where collaboration, networking and interdisciplinarity are becoming more important. *Read more [here](#)...*

Higher Education: A National Asset in a Global World

[Presentation](#) by Deborah Roseveare at [The Guardian Future of Higher Education Summit 2013](#).

Do you know the team?

Find out [Who's Who](#) and what they do.



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OECD publications and resources

Trends Shaping Education 2013

[On iLibrary](#)

What does it mean for education that our societies are increasingly diverse? How is global economic power shifting towards new countries? In what ways are the skills required in the world of work changing?

Trends Shaping Education 2013 brings together international evidence to give policy makers, researchers, educational leaders, administrators and teachers a robust, non-specialist source to inform strategic thinking and stimulate reflection on the challenges facing education, whether in schools, universities or programmes for older adults. It will also be of interest to students and the wider public, including parents.

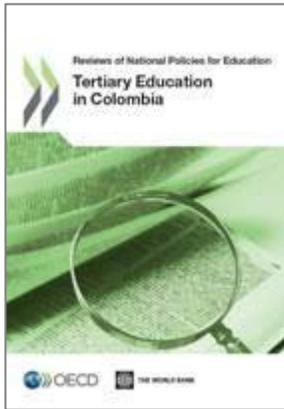


Blog: [The weight of nations: the shape of things to come?](#),
by Tracey Burns

Higher Education in Regional and City Development – new reports

Sonora, Mexico – [On iLibrary](#)

Wroclaw, Poland – [On iLibrary](#)



Reviews of National Policies for Education: Tertiary Education in Colombia 2012

On iLibrary

In Colombia, the beginning of a new century has brought with it a palpable feeling of optimism. Colombians and visitors sense that the country's considerable potential can be realised, and education is rightly seen as crucial to this process. As opportunities expand, Colombians will need new and better skills to respond to new challenges and prospects.

The government is therefore determined to address key challenges confronting tertiary education in the country: expanding enrolment and improving equity, increasing quality and relevance, and making governance

and finance more responsive. Colombia has more than a decade of progress under its belt, and the energy to reach ambitious policy goals. Getting there in practice will involve dialogue and consensus-seeking among all stakeholders, as well as new resources and new rules.

What are the social benefits of education?

Education Indicators in Focus

On iLibrary

Education can bring significant benefits to society, not only through higher employment opportunities and income but also via enhanced skills, improved social status and access to networks. By fully recognising the power of education, policy makers could better address diverse societal challenges.

2013 access to OECD online publications

Programme members benefit from free access to OECD publications in the online database [OECD iLibrary](#). Please contact emily.groves@oecd.org for the 2013 login and password. **Please note:** this access is for personal use only by your organisations' main contacts.

Keep up with blogs on education at <http://oecdeducationtoday.blogspot.com/>



News from our members

International Forum, Eurasian Educational Dialogue

17-19 April 2013, Yaroslavl, Russia

<http://forum.yar.ru/index.php?id=105>

The Russian Ministry of Education and Science, The Government of the Yaroslavl Region, [National](#)

[Research University - Higher School of Economics](#), together with a number of universities and international organisations are honoured to invite education authorities, teachers and experts in educational policy.

Participants' applications and abstracts are accepted till the 25th of March 2013.

Is there information about your higher education activities (e.g. conferences, publications) that you wish to share with other members? Let us know and we can add it to OECD Higher Education News.

Universities and Knowledge Society Journal (RUSC)

<http://rusc.uoc.edu>

Call for papers open for Volume 11, Number 1 (January 2014) for the next *monographic Dossier on Mobile Learning Applications in Higher Education*. More information available at <http://rusc.uoc.edu/ojs/index.php/rusc/pages/view/call-for-papers-january14>.

We welcome the Slovak Rector's Conference

The Slovak Rectors' Conference (SRC) is one of three official bodies representing higher education institutions in the Slovak Republic. It joins rectors of public, state and private universities and schools of higher education. SRC has, at present, 36 members. The complete list is available at www.srk.sk.

The aim of the SRC is to co-ordinate and promote rectors' activities at Slovak higher education institutions in order to create a common higher education policy. To meet the above mentioned goal, the SRC:

- co-ordinates and promotes co-operation between the rectors;
- discusses and formulates its opinion on substantive issues related to higher education policy, and proposals of generally binding legal norms that directly affect the life of universities, or discusses and formulates its opinion on the applicable legal standards with the above focus;
- creates conditions for co-operation between the higher education institutions in Slovakia and for a mutual flow of information among them;
- establishes and maintains contacts with foreign countries, the rectors' conferences in other countries, other rectors' associations.

The SRC was one of the foundation members of the European University Association and at present is its full collective member.

The SRC was established on 25 November 1992. At that time, the Slovak Section of the Rectors' Club of Czech and Slovak higher education institutions (which had been established after the Velvet Revolution in then Czechoslovakia) became the Slovak Rectors' Conference. The SRC gained legal status as an NGO institution in 1997. In 2002 it was, for the first time, explicitly stated in the Law on higher education (131/2002) as one of bodies representing higher education institutions.

President: prof. RNDr. Libor Vozár, CSc.; Vicepresidents: Dr. h. c. prof. Ing. Anton Cižmár, CSc. and Dr. h. c. prof. Ing. Rudolf Sivák, PhD.

More information and contact is available at www.srk.sk.

Conference Proceedings

The *Learning by Developing – New Ways to Learn* 2012 Conference on Creativity in Higher Education was held at [Laurea University of Applied Science](http://www.laurea.sk)'s Leppävaara unit from 8-11 May 2012. Now the [conference proceedings](#), consisting of articles written by the presenters of the conference, have been published and can be accessed on the Conference web page.



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Who are our members?

Find them at www.oecd.org/edu/imhe/members

Other announcements

EAIE Spring Academy

The [Spring Academy](#) of the European Association for International Education ([EAIE](#)) will take place in Birmingham from 15-19 April 2013 and will feature a unique mix of [12 in-depth courses](#) on a variety of higher education topics including benchmarking, cultural learning, joint degrees, digital marketing, mental health of international students, summer schools and strategic international partnerships. Participants can choose the courses that best fit their career demands and highly skilled trainers will provide them with workable personalised solutions. The programme is truly international, gathering more than 150 higher education professionals from over 20 countries. Registration closes on **25 March 2013**.

GHEAR: Our Universities to 2030 - Forging collaborations and unlocking excellence for the generation born today

[Worldwide Universities Network symposium](#)

20 May 2013, Grand Hyatt Hotel, Washington D.C., USA

Register by: 30 April 2013 – places are limited!

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Keep in touch with your Programme. This e-newsletter aims to keep you informed about the activities, publications, conferences and other events linked to our member institutions and the higher education world. And if you want even more information, you'll find it on our [website](#) or by contacting IMHE@oecd.org.

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