Launch of the OECD PISA 2018 students' financial literacy assessment

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About PISA (Programme for International Student Assessment)

The Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) is a triennial international survey, which aims to evaluate education systems worldwide by testing the skills and knowledge of 15-year-old students. To date, students representing more than 70 economies have participated in the assessment. [www.oecd.org/pisa/](http://www.oecd.org/pisa/)

About PISA 2018

PISA 2018 is the Programme’s seventh survey. It assessed the competencies of 15-year-olds in reading, mathematics and science in 79 countries and economies. In 21 of those countries and economies, students also took part in an assessment of their financial literacy skills.

About the OECD International Network on Financial Education (INFE)

Created in 2008, the OECD/INFE promotes and facilitates international co-operation between policy makers and other stakeholders on financial education issues worldwide. More than 280 public institutions from 128 countries have joined the OECD/INFE. [www.oecd.org/financial/education/](http://www.oecd.org/financial/education/)

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Participate

The event will be held via videoconference using [Zoom](https://zoom.us). The link to participate will be shared in advance of the event. To ensure a smooth participation, please follow this link to tutorials if you are not already familiar with Zoom.

This event is open to the media. Requests for interviews should be addressed to Spencer.Wilson@oecd.org.

Follow the live webcast of the launch via the event web page or on Twitter @OECDeduSkills | @OECD_BizFin | #OECDpisa | #OECDfe
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BIOGRAPHIES

Masamichi Kono

Mr. Masamichi Kono was appointed Deputy Secretary-General of the OECD in August 2017. His portfolio includes the strategic direction of OECD policy on Environment, Green Growth and Financial and Enterprise Affairs, along with representing the OECD at the Financial Stability Board meetings.

Prior to joining the OECD, Mr. Kono was the Vice Minister for International Affairs, Financial Services Agency, Japan (JFSA) and President of the Asian Financial Partnership Center of the JFSA. In that capacity, he represented the JFSA in various international bodies and meetings, and was responsible for coordinating policies relating to international affairs for the JFSA.

In relation to this work, he served as Chairman of the International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO) Technical Committee from April 2011 until May 2012, and thereafter as Chairman of the IOSCO Board until the end of his term in March 2013. He was also the Co-chair of the Financial Stability Board Regional Consultative Group for Asia from July 2013 to June 2015, and Chairman of the IFRS Foundation Monitoring Board from February 2013 to June 2016.

He has had a long career in financial supervision and the regulation of financial services, both in Japan and in the international arena, since joining the public service in 1978.

Before joining the Financial Services Agency, Mr Kono was Secretary to the WTO Financial Services Committee between 1994 and 1999, as Counsellor of the Trade in Services Division, World Trade Organisation.

He also served for 4 years at the OECD Secretariat in the Economics Department, at the beginning of his career.

From September 2005 to March 2017, he was a Visiting Professor at the University of Hiroshima, Graduate School of Social Sciences (Finance Program). He was also Research Scholar at Columbia University, School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA), USA from November 2016 to June 2017. Mr Kono holds a B.A. in law from Tokyo University.

Yuri Belfali

Ms. Belfali supports the Directorate for Education and Skills in providing strategic direction to the work on knowledge generation and its policy implication concerning skills development in early childhood education, care and school systems. She oversees large scale surveys including the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA), Teaching and Learning International Survey programme (TALIS) and thematic analyses including the development of learning framework ‘the future of education and skills: OECD education 2030’. These programmes are key components of the OECD’s work to help countries promote learning opportunities for all, which promotes economic growth and social progress.

Ms. Belfali spent the last 20 years in France, the US, and in several countries of South East Asia, Africa and Middle East and North Africa regions. Before joining the OECD, she worked for UNICEF as Chief of the Education Section in Morocco and the World Bank in the field of human development between 2002 and 2012. She had a leadership role in advising governments for education reforms and gender mainstreaming. Ms. Belfali, a Japanese national, holds a Master’s degree in International Educational Administration and Policy Analysis from Stanford University.

Flore-Anne Messy

Flore-Anne is Head of the Insurance, Private Pensions and Financial Markets Division at the OECD. The division covers financial markets, public debt management, insurance, private pensions, long-term and sustainable investment and financing in SME and Infrastructure as well as financial literacy, financial consumer protection and financial inclusion issues.

She joined the OECD in June 2000 to develop the activities of the Secretariat for the Insurance and Private Pensions Committee (IPPC). Starting in 2010 she has been steering the work of the OECD financial education unit (including the OECD/INFE and PISA financial literacy exercises) and subsequently the OECD financial consumer protection activities (including the G20/OECD Task Force on Financial Consumer Protection and FinCoNet). Prior to the OECD she worked at Deloitte Touche Tomatsu Audit Paris, in the banking and insurance fields. She graduated from the Institute of Political Studies of Paris and received her thesis in international economies from University Pantheon-Sorbonne of Paris in 1998.