As part of its All on Board for Inclusive Growth Initiative, the OECD has created the OECD Centre for Opportunity and Equality, a new platform for promoting and conducting policy-oriented research on the trends, causes and consequences of inequalities in society and the economy, and a forum to discuss how policies can best address such inequalities.

Launch of the Centre: 26 October 2015
website: http://oe.cd/cope

The scope of the Centre

1 **Cross-cutting:**
Reflecting inequalities in a number of socio-economic outcomes, from income and wealth to employment, economic growth, education, health, the environment, housing, access to public services, energy and financial markets, as well as across people with different characteristics, such as gender, age or socio-economic background.

2 **Comprehensive:**
Providing policy-relevant information and analyses that consider complementarities and trade-offs faced by policy makers, in different sectors and different parts of national and local governments. The Centre for Opportunity and Equality will be a multi-disciplinary space that builds on the OECD’s unique capacity to produce and coordinate cross-country and cross-sectoral policy analysis and data.

3 **Global:**
Focusing on various dimensions of inequality in OECD and Key Partner countries, as well as in emerging and developing countries.

From Inequality Measurement to Inclusive Growth Policies


The OECD All on Board for Inclusive Growth Initiative was launched in 2012 to address the range of inequalities that affect people’s well-being and result in damage to both the social fabric and future growth, and to provide policy makers with a framework to see how growth translates into improvements in people’s well-being.
What we offer

The single most important comparative advantage of the Centre for Opportunity and Equality is OECD’s experience with policy-focused analysis and policy advice and the availability of relevant fora – Working Groups, Committees and Council meetings – in which policy options and recommendations to promote opportunity and equality can be discussed with national policy makers and other relevant stakeholders, such as the private sector and trade unions, and NGOs.

The Centre will:

Produce high-quality reports on inequalities

The Centre for Opportunity and Equality will prepare a regular publication, combining a review of key trends in different dimensions of inequality and poverty with special chapters addressing different policy-relevant issues for the global inequality debate. It will improve metrics and the statistical basis for comparative analysis. The Centre will draw on expertise from across the Organisation to help countries address the key challenges posed by the rise in inequalities.

Influence the international policy debate through high-impact events

As part of the Inclusive Growth Initiative, the OECD Centre for Opportunity and Equality will organise a series of Seminars with high-level speakers – policy makers, academics and social organisations – to discuss key policy issues and initiatives addressing different dimensions of inequality. It will also partner with other research centres and organisations to organise joint events.

Promote exchanges of information & expertise on inequality

The Centre for Opportunity and Equality will host visiting researchers as well as experts from research centres and public administrations to contribute to and learn from the OECD work on opportunity and equality. It will also interact with the Inclusive Growth Advisory Group of international experts on inequalities and inclusive growth.

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