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DEMOGRAPHIC TRANSITION AND AGEING SOCIETY: IMPLICATIONS FOR LOCAL LABOUR MARKETS

Organised by the Ministry of Regional Development in Poland and Łódzkie Voivodship Self-Government in cooperation with the OECD

21st - 22nd March 2013

Holiday Inn Hotel, Festival Hall, Piotrkowska Street 229-231, Łódź

AGENDA

The Ministry of Regional Development in Poland (MRD) and the Łódzkie Voivodship Self-Government have a great pleasure to invite you to participate in the conference, which will summarize the international research project being conducted by MRD and local government authorities of Łódzkie, Małopolskie and Pomorskie region in cooperation with the OECD LEED Programme, entitled *Local scenarios of demographic change - Policies and strategies for sustainable development, skills and employment*.

The main purpose of the conference is to summarize project results, present the most important conclusions and recommendations coming out from its realization and discuss strategic approaches to counteract negative results of demographic changes in Poland and in other OECD countries as well as to identify directions of the possible initiatives in this field under public policies on national, regional and local level.

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For further information about the OECD LEED project on "Local scenarios of demographic change", please visit <http://www.oecd.org/cfe/leed/demographicchange.htm>



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■ Thursday, 21st March 2013

10:30 – 11:00 Registration of participants / opening coffee

11:00 – 11:30 Welcome and introduction

Mr. Paweł Orłowski, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Regional Development in Poland

Mr. Witold Stępień, Marshal of the Łódzkie Voivodship

Mr. Mieczysław Struk, Marshal of the Pomorskie Voivodship

Mr. Jacek Woźniak, Deputy Director of the Department of Regional Policy, Marshal's Office of the Małopolskie Voivodship

11:30 – 12:00 Presentation of key conclusions and recommendations from the project

Dr. Cristina Martinez-Fernandez, Senior Policy Analyst, OECD LEED

12:00 – 14:00 Demographic changes in Poland – discussion panel

Mr. Witold Stępień, Marshal of the Łódź Voivodship

Mr. Józef Sebesta, Marshal of the Opolskie Voivodship

Mr. Piotr Stronkowski, Coffey International Development

Prof. Iwona Sagan, University of Gdańsk

Dr. Jolanta Perek-Białas, Jagiellonian University

Dr. Piotr Szukalski, University of Łódź

Session Chair: Mr. Paweł Chorąży, Director of the Department for the ESF Management, Ministry of Regional Development in Poland

14:00 – 15:00 Lunch / Poland demographic change film screening

15:00 – 16:30 Facing challenges of demographic change in other OECD countries

Prof. Edward J. Blakely, University of Sydney, Australia

Mr. Jasper Van Loo, European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training

Mr. Silas Olsson, "Health Access", Sweden

Ms. Megumi Nozawa, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare in Japan

Session Chair: Mr. Aldert de Vries, Ministry of Interior and Kingdom Relations in the Netherlands

16:30 – 17:00 Demographic changes in the Netherlands – problems and challenges

Mr. Aldert de Vries, Ministry of Interior and Kingdom Relations in the Netherlands

17:00 Concluding remarks and closing of the first day of the conference

Dr. Cristina Martinez-Fernandez, Senior Policy Analyst, OECD LEED

Mr. Paweł Orłowski, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Regional Development in Poland

17:30 Łódź city tour and dinner for international experts

Dr. Piotr Szukalski, University of Łódź



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■ Friday, 22nd March 2013

10:00 – 10:15 **Welcome**

Mr. Paweł Chorąży, Director of the Department for the ESF Management, Ministry of Regional Development in Poland

Mr. Dominik Patora, Director of the Department for Human Capital Operational Programme, Marshal's Office of the Łódzkie Voivodship

10:15 – 10:45 **Presentation of the main assumptions and objectives of the Łódź voivodship "Plan for Depopulation Prevention"**

Mr. Dominik Patora, Director of the Department for Human Capital Operational Programme, Marshal's Office of the Łódzkie Voivodship

Dr. Piotr Szukalski, University of Łódź

Discussant: Prof. Edward J. Blakely, University of Sydney, Australia

10:45 – 11:15 **Presentation of self-government programmes, being implemented in the city of Łódź - "Youth in Łódź" and "Activation 60 +"**

Mr. Dariusz Koperczak, Office of Enterprise Development and Employment, Łódź City Hall

Mr. Dominik Zasadziński, Health and Social Affairs Unit, Department of Social Affairs, Łódź City Hall

11:15 – 11:30 *Coffee break*

11:30 – 12:30 **Strategic approach in counteracting negative effects of demographic processes - discussion panel**

Prof. dr hab. Tadeusz Markowski, Management Unit, University of Łódź

Prof. dr hab. Wielisława Warzywoda-Kruszyńska, Economics and Sociology Unit, University of Łódź

Prof. dr hab. Elżbieta Kryńska, Economics and Sociology Unit, University of Łódź

Dr. Wojciech Michalski, Strategy Office, Łódź City Hall

Discussant: Mr. Aldert de Vries, Ministry of Interior and Kingdom Relations in the Netherlands

12:30 – 13:00 **Presentation of the main assumptions and objectives of the Polish policy towards elderly people**

Dr. Marzena Breza, Director of the Department of Senior Policy, Ministry of Labour and Social Policy in Poland

13:00 – 13:30 **Concluding remarks and closing of the conference**

Dr. Cristina Martinez-Fernandez, Senior Policy Analyst, OECD LEED

Mr. Dominik Patora, Director of the Department for Human Capital Operational Programme, Marshal's Office of the Łódzkie Voivodship

Mr. Paweł Chorąży, Director of the Department for the ESF Management, Ministry of Regional Development in Poland

13:30 *Lunch in Łódź Restaurant / ESF AGE Network film screening*