

CERI's Innovation Strategy Newsletter: Issue 13 (March 2012)



Conference on “Educating for innovative societies”: 26 April 2012, Paris

CERI's Innovation Strategy for Education and Training will host a public [conference](#) to present and discuss ways to strengthen education and skills for innovation. This event will take place on 26 April 2012 at the OECD conference centre and will address the following issues.

- Discussion with **Howard Gardner** (Harvard University): what are the implications of research on multiple intelligences and creativity implies for 21st century education?
- **STEM education**: how can science, technology, engineering and mathematics education lead to better skills in thinking and creativity?
- **Arts education**: what skills does arts education foster? Why does it matter for innovation?
- **Assessments** of thinking and creativity: what promising new approaches can help assess creativity, critical thinking and authentic problem-solving skills in school and university?

International experts including **Bill Lucas** (University of Winchester), **Zemira Mevarech** (Bar-Ilan University) and **Ellen Winner** (Boston College) will present recent findings and stimulate lively debates on how science, mathematics, and arts education contribute to the development of skills for innovation; and on how to assess skills in thinking and creativity.

To participate, register no later than **March 30, 2012**. As the number of places is limited due to space constraints, places will be allocated in the order of registration. For further information, visit the conference [webpage](#).

Other news

- [IMHE General Conference: Attaining and Sustaining Mass Higher Education](#) will take place on 17-19 September 2012, in Paris, France. The biennial IMHE General Conference attracts around 500 policy-makers, institutional leaders and academic experts active in higher education. The goal of the Conference will be to identify longer-term trends and will include analyses of national and institutional policies, case studies and the latest research from the OECD and elsewhere. Register by **1 May 2012** for the early bird rate!
- Responding to the growing need for high-quality science, technology, engineering, and math education for innovation, CERI's Innovation Strategy collaborates with the HP Catalyst Initiative to explore promising practices: the newly released [HP Catalyst Online Gallery](#) provides specific examples from education organizations in 15 countries.

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The OECD [Centre for Educational Research and Innovation](#) co-led the human capital pillar of the [OECD Innovation Strategy](#), a major policy initiative offering a cross-government approach to help countries capture the economic and social benefits of innovation in a new era. Its ongoing Innovation Strategy project is now focusing on two educational strands:

- Education and skills for innovation
- Innovation and improvement in education

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