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Upcoming events

Register now for your **FREE** events!

Registration is now open for the following events for [OECD Higher Education Programme \(IMHE\) members](#). Please circulate this information to colleagues in your organisation, who may also attend. More than one person from each member organisation may attend. **Remember, places are limited!**

★ **DATE CHANGE! 12 November 2014, 4pm/16:00 Paris time, 1.5 hours**

Webinar for IMHE members on **Career Guidance and Employability**

With [Tristram Hooley, University of Derby](#) and [Raimo](#)

[Vuorinen, University of Jyväskylä](#)

Deadline for registration: 3 October, 17:00 Paris time

★ **20-21 November 2014**

What Works Conference on Entrepreneurship and Higher Education

[Aalto University](#), Helsinki Finland

Documentation

➔ [Draft Programme](#)

➔ [Concept note](#)

Deadline for registration: 20 October 2014

➔ [Registration is free for IMHE members](#)

➔ [Registration for IMHE non-members is now open](#) – fee 695

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The 20th IMHE Governing Board meeting

The next IMHE Governing Board meeting will take place in Paris on Monday, 27 October 2014. The main focus of discussion will be the 2015-16 Programme of Work and the future of work on higher education. There will also be an update on the October 2015 conference in Singapore.

www.oecd.org/edu/imhemeetings

OECD and higher education activities

Farewell to Karine Tremblay

In September, the OECD Higher Education Programme said goodbye to Karine Tremblay. Karine, who has ably headed the higher education team since September 2013 and who previously worked on AHELO, has taken up new duties as the Project Manager for [TALIS](#) (the OECD Teaching and Learning International Survey). The OECD Higher Education Programme wishes her all the best – although she is not going far, she will be missed. We will be advertising for her replacement shortly.

New Secretaries-General at the OECD

Mari Kiviniemi, Finland's former Prime Minister, and Stefan Kapferer, currently State Secretary at Germany's Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy, [have been appointed Deputy Secretaries-General of the OECD](#).

What it means for Higher Education – quarterly brief for members

September 2014 – [Insights from TALIS, the OECD Teaching and Learning International Survey](#)

Highlights from the webinar on English as a Medium of Instruction

16 June 2014 – www.oecd.org/edu/imhe/Highlights-English-as-a-Medium-of-Instruction-webinar.pdf

Highlights from the webinar on Education at a Glance – Key Messages and Main Results 2014

25 September 2014 – www.oecd.org/edu/imhe/Highlights-EAG-webinar.pdf

Just released!

Missed out on a Webinar? Listen online

We are now able to make available the recordings of the OECD Higher Education Programme webinars. You may need to install a Cisco WebEx add-in.

➔ Higher Education at a Glance, 25 September 2014

<https://regieconferenceoecd.webex.com/regieconferenceoecd/lsr.php?RCID=91f6156b8837d57bc2f6c80dbeb45bfb>



State of Higher Education 2014 news

In anticipation of the IMHE General Conference in Singapore in 2015, Jane Knight looks toward the future for higher education. In her article, Knight addresses the question of what an international university is. She develops a new taxonomy of “generations” of international universities: the 1st generation is an internationalised institution with a variety of international partnerships, students and staff. The 2nd generation refers to universities that have established satellite offices in different countries of the world in the form of branch campuses, research centres, and management or project offices. The 3rd and most recent type of international university is a stand-alone institution co-founded or co-developed by two or more partner institutions from different countries. In her article, Knight provides examples of 3rd generation international universities and the types of issues and challenges related to this new type of institution.

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[Who's Who in the OECD Higher Education Programme](#)

OECD publications and resources

Education at a Glance 2014: OECD Indicators

[On iLibrary](#)

Education at a Glance: OECD Indicators is the authoritative source for accurate and relevant information on the state of education around the world. It provides data on the structure, finances, and performance of education systems in the OECD's 34 member countries, as well as a number of partner countries.

Also available

[Education at a Glance 2014: Highlights](#)

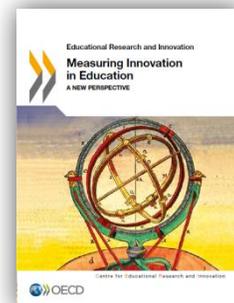
[Educational Mobility Starts to Slow in Industrialised World](#)
[Is expanding access to higher education worth the price?](#)



Measuring Innovation in Education: A New Perspective

[On iLibrary](#)

Do teachers innovate? Do they try different pedagogical approaches? Are practices within classrooms and educational organisations changing? And to what extent can change be linked to improvements? A measurement agenda is essential to an innovation and improvement strategy in education. *Measuring Innovation in Education* offers new perspectives on addressing the need for such measurement.



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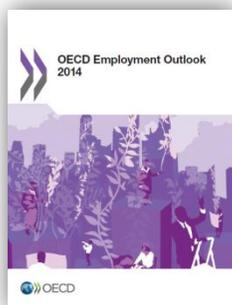
[September 2014](#)

The last issue for 2014 brings to you the key education findings and policy directions emerging from recent OECD analysis in a single accessible free source.

OECD Employment Outlook 2014

[On iLibrary](#)

The OECD Employment Outlook 2014 marks the 20th Anniversary of the OECD Jobs Strategy and includes chapters on recent labour market developments with a special section on earnings/wages, job quality, youth employment, unemployment and unemployment rates, and forms of employment and employment protection. As in previous editions, the 2014 OECD Employment Outlook monitors recent labour market developments in OECD countries and Key Partner economies and identifies appropriate policy action to foster more and better jobs.



2014 access to OECD online publications

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Other publications

The agent question: insights from students, universities and agents

[The Observatory on Borderless Higher Education](#)

The education agent is an individual or organisation that helps a prospective student enrol in an education institution or helps an education institution recruit students. Many agents do both. The tension between widespread agent use by prospective students and institutions and determined opposition by critics is the stimulus for this report. [Further information...](#)

News from our members

Emphasizing Numeracy as an Essential Skill

From [HEQCO](#)

A new report from the Higher Education Quality Council of Ontario (HEQCO), [Emphasizing Numeracy as an Essential Skill](#), finds that postsecondary students in non-math or non-science-based disciplines often have limited opportunities to develop numeracy skills, while postsecondary institutions know little about the numeracy skills students bring to or acquire in higher education. And while Ontario student numeracy scores have been relatively stable over the last decade, an increasing number of other jurisdictions are outperforming the province.

The report examines current data on numeracy performance from a variety of sources including the OECD, the International Association for the Evaluation of Educational Achievement, Ontario's Education Quality and Accountability Office, and the College Mathematics Project, an initiative of the York-Seneca Institute for Mathematics, Science and Technology Education. Government guidelines for curriculum content are also examined using the Ontario Qualifications Framework.

The data present a mixed assessment of Canadians' and Ontarians' numeracy skills overall.

For further information, please contact: Susan Bloch-Nevitte, sbnevitte@heqco.ca

Register now! Hands on: Exploring apprenticeship and the skilled trades

HEQCO's 5th annual international conference

5-6 November 2014, Toronto, Canada

Everyone's talking the "skills gap" but there's also a gap in our understanding of apprenticeship and the skilled trades. Where is apprenticeship headed and what can apprenticeship teach higher education about integrating learning and work? Fourteen sessions examine apprenticeship and the skilled trades – from the skills gap to Germany's dual-system model, from barriers for women to successful public-private partnerships. Leaders in education, government, labour and industry address the most pressing issues in the sector.

[Registration](http://heqco.ca/en-CA/About%20Us/Events/Pages/Summary.aspx?link=23) is now open. For more information, visit <http://heqco.ca/en-CA/About%20Us/Events/Pages/Summary.aspx?link=23>

Visit from the Swedish Higher Education Authority

On Thursday, 11 September, the OECD Higher Education Programme (IMHE) and the Directorate for Education and Skills welcomed a group of visitors from Programme member the [Swedish Higher Education Authority](#). The group was given an overview of the Directorate's work on education, followed by presentations from [Anna Glass](#) on OECD work on higher education; [Stéphan Vincent-Lancrin](#) on higher education for innovation; and Eric Charbonnier on [Education at a Glance](#).

Share your news!

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.

It was a pleasure to welcome the group and to meet the Swedish Higher Education Authority's IMHE liaison, Gunilla Jacobsson.



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Who are your fellow members?

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

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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