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Dr. Ischinger took up the post of Director for Education for the OECD on 1 January 2006. She has held a range of senior international positions over the last 17 years in the fields of international co-operation and education, with a focus on Europe, the United States and Africa.

Before joining the OECD, Dr. Ischinger was Executive Vice-President for International Affairs and Public Relations at Berlin Humboldt Universität (2000-2005). Between 1992-1994, she was a Director at UNESCO heading the Division of International Cultural Co-operation, Presentation and Enrichment of Cultural Identities. From 1994 to 2000, she was Executive Director of the Fulbright Commission for Educational Exchange between the United States and Germany.

In her present capacity, Dr Ischinger is responsible for the Directorate for Education which helps Member countries to improve the quality, equity and efficiency of their educational systems.

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