

# AGENDA

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OECD Launch Event: Preparing Regions for Demographic Change

Virtual Launch and Panel Discussion

## Delivering Quality Education and Health Care to All: Preparing Regions for Demographic Change



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## ■ What's the issue?

As OECD regions face depopulation and ageing, what should governments do to ensure access to quality services such as education and health care to all citizens regardless of where they live? To help policy makers face this challenge, the OECD has launched a new sub-series of work: *Preparing Regions for Demographic Change*. The first report of this sub-series, [Delivering Quality Education and Health Care to All](#) analyses good practices and innovations in education and health care provision in OECD countries, and identifies areas for policy action including digital connectivity and governance. The report provides guidance for governments seeking to design sustainable and equitable long-term strategies for service delivery.

## ■ When?

March 5, 2021.

## ■ Where?

The event will be virtual (Zoom).

## ■ What will be discussed?

The event will kick off with high-level interventions on policies to address territorial inequalities in service provision. It will continue with a presentation of key insights from the report and a panel discussion on future of service delivery in rural regions. The event will offer participants the opportunity to raise questions and express their views on the opportunities and challenges of providing quality services to all in OECD countries.

**Join the discussion**

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# Agenda

14:50-15:00	<b>Registration</b> ( <i>please join the meeting 10 minutes before the start</i> )
15:00-15:05	<b>Welcome and opening remarks</b>
MODERATOR	<b>Jose Enrique Garcilazo</b> , Head, Regional and Rural Policy Unit, OECD
15:05-15:20	<b>High-level interventions</b>
SPEAKERS	<b>Lamia Kamal-Chaoui</b> , Director, Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities, OECD <b>Moray Gilland</b> , Head, Policy Development and Economic Analysis Unit, Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy, European Commission
15:20-15:30	<b>Policies for delivering quality education and health care to all</b>
SPEAKER	<b>Ana Moreno Monroy</b> , Economist, Regional Development and Multi-level Governance Division, OECD
15:30-16:20	<b>Policy panel: the future of education and health care in rural areas</b>
SPEAKERS	<b>Josée Beaudoin</b> , Director, L'École en réseau, Canada <b>Karen Refsgaard</b> , Deputy Director, Nordregio <b>Duarte Rodrigues</b> , Vice-president, Portuguese Cohesion and Development Agency
16:20-16:30	<b>Closing remarks</b>
SPEAKERS	<b>Alain Dupeyras</b> , Head, Regional Development and Multi-level Governance Division, OECD <b>Lewis Dijkstra</b> , Head, Economic Analysis Sector, Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy, European Commission

## About the OECD Regional and Rural Development Unit

Rural areas have a variety of different characteristics and geographies - from well-serviced communities near urban areas to remote sparsely populated places with limited access to basic services - as well as differing cultures. Our work aims to strengthen and support the economies and inhabitants of all types of rural area and reinforce their resilience in a fast-changing world.

For more information, visit our website: <http://www.oecd.org/regional/rural-development/>

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