Fostering Relevant Skills and Employability Through Education

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Istanbul, 2-3 October / 2-3 Ekim 2013
# Fostering Skills and Employability Through Education

**Chair:** Nabi Avci, Minister of National Education, Turkey  
**Wednesday, 2 October 2013**

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| 12:30-13:15 | Ballroom | *Opening Remarks*  
Fostering skills and competencies through education | Nabi Avci, Minister of National Education, Turkey  
Angel Gurría, OECD Secretary-General  
Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, Prime Minister of Turkey |
| 13:15-13:30 |          | *Family photo*                                                                     |                                                                          |
| 13:30-14:45 | Restaurant “La Torre” | *Working lunch*  
Trends and perspectives on skills development and skills deployment | With representatives of the host country, the social partners and international organisations  
*Moderator:* Anthony Mackay, CEO, Centre for Strategic Education, Australia |
| 15:00-16:30 | Ballroom | *Plenary briefing session for Ministers*  
First results and key insights from the Survey of Adult Skills (PIAAC) | Introduced by Andreas Schleicher, OECD Deputy Director for Education and Skills and Special Advisor on Education Policy to the Secretary-General  
*Responding Ministers:*  
José Ignacio Wert Ortega, Minister of Education, Culture and Sports, Spain  
Faruk Çelik, Minister of Labour and Social Security, Turkey |
### Break-out session 1

**How can the education system develop relevant skills and competencies?**

Discussion in three groups

**Group A (English)**
- **Chair:** Hekia Parata, Minister of Education, New Zealand
- **Lead Speaker:** Jet Bussemaker, Minister for Education, Culture and Science, Netherlands

**Group B (with interpretation English-French)**
- **Chair:** Mady Delvaux-Stehres, Minister for National Education and Professional Formation, Luxembourg
- **Lead Speaker:** Heng Swee Keat, Minister for Education, Singapore

**Group C (with interpretation English-Turkish)**
- **Chair:** Claudia Schmied, Minister of Education, the Arts and Culture, Austria
- **Lead Speaker:** Jeff Johnson, Minister of Education, Alberta, Canada

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### 9:00

**Social event**

Dinner-cruise on the Bosphorus

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### Thursday, 3 October 2013

### Break-out session 2

**What can Education Ministries do to achieve a better match between the supply and demand for skills?**

Discussion in three groups

**Group A (English)**
- **Chair:** Hekia Parata, Minister of Education, New Zealand
- **Lead Speaker:** Jaak Aaviksoo, Minister of Education and Research, Estonia (tbc)

**Group B (with interpretation English-French)**
- **Chair:** Mady Delvaux-Stehres, Minister for National Education and Professional Formation, Luxembourg
- **Lead Speaker:** Blade Nzimande, Minister of Higher Education and Training, South Africa

**Group C (with interpretation English-Turkish)**
- **Chair:** Claudia Schmied, Minister of Education, the Arts and Culture, Austria
- **Lead Speaker:** Dmitry Livanov, Minister of Education and Science, Russian Federation (tbc)
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| 11:00-12:30  | Ballroom | **Plenary session for Ministers**  
Future development of PISA  
Introduced by Barbara Ischinger, OECD Director for Education and Skills  
**Moderator:** Anthony Mackay, CEO, Centre for Strategic Education, Australia  
**Lead Speaker:** Stephan Dorgerloh, Minister for Education and Cultural Affairs Saxony-Anhalt and President, Kultusminister Konferenz, Germany  
**Responding Minister:** Shinichi Yamanaka, Vice-Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, Japan |
| 12:30-13:30  | Ballroom | **Closing session**  
What can education policy do to maximise the economic and social outcomes of learning?  
**Conclusions and closing remarks**  
Nabi Avci, Minister of National Education, Turkey  
Angel Gurría, OECD Secretary-General |
| c. 13:30     | Venue tbc | **Press conference with Nabi Avcı and Angel Gurría** |
| From 13:30   | Restaurant “La Torre” | **Informal lunch for all participants** |
| Afternoon    |           | **Optional excursion to the historical sights of Istanbul** |
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