High Level Policy Forum  
Skills for Social Progress

Monday 24 March 2014

Draft Agenda

I. Policy Makers’ Forum (Closed session)

Chair and co-hosts: José Henrique Paim (Minister of Education, Brazil)
Yves Leterme (Deputy Secretary General, OECD)
Viviane Senna (President of the Ayrton Senna Foundation, Brazil)

Keynote: James Heckman (Nobel laureate in economics, University of Chicago, USA)

Participants: Education Ministers and senior representatives

Lunch Break: 13:00-15:00

II. Policy Players’ Forum (Open session)

Chair: Viviane Senna (President of the Ayrton Senna Institute)

15:00 – 15:15 Introduction
15:15 – 15:45 Debate: The nature of skills that drive children’s lifetime success
James Heckman (U-Chicago) and Dirk Van Damme (OECD)
Patrick Griffin (ATC21s), Charles Fadel (CCR, BIAC, P21) and David Nicoll (Studio Schools)

15:45 – 16:30 Roundtable: Leaders of major education initiatives
Jennifer Adams (Ottawa, Canada), Claudia Costin (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil), Silvia Montoya (Buenos Aires, Argentina), Wilson Risolia (Rio de Janeiro State, Brazil) and Astrid Søgnen (Oslo, Norway)

16:30 – 17:00 Coffee break

17:00 – 18:00 Roundtable: Superintendents and directors of major education systems

18:00 – 18:30 Conclusions
James Heckman (U-Chicago) and Dirk Van Damme (OECD)

18:30 – 19:00 Documentary film preview: ‘The Future of Education’
All participants including the film directors

19:00 – 20:30 Cocktail
All participants
III. Researchers’ Forum (Open session)

Chair: José Francisco Soares (President of Inep, Brazil)

9:00 – 9:30  Introduction

Chair and Dirk Van Damme (OECD)

9:30 – 10:30  Research debate 1: Identifying and developing skills that drive children’s lifetime success  

Lead presentations: Peter Tymms (U-Durham) and Sergio Urzua (U-Maryland)  
Discussant: Daniel Santos (U-Sao Paulo)

10:30 – 10:45  Coffee break

10:45 – 11:45  Research debate 2: Measuring skills that matter  

Lead presentations: Oliver John (UC-Berkeley) and Patrick Kyllonen (ETS)  
Discussants: Filip de Fruyt (U-Ghent) and Ricardo Primi (U- São Francisco)

11:45 – 12:45  Research debate 3: Research agenda  

Lead presentation: Filip de Fruyt  
Discussants: Oliver John, Patrick Kyllonen, Ricardo Primi, Peter Tymms and Sergio Urzua

12:45 – 13:00  Conclusions

Chair and Dirk Van Damme (OECD)

Lunch Break: 13:00-15:00

IV. Concluding Debate (Open session)

Chair: Dirk Van Damme (Head of IMEP, Directorate for Education and Skills, OECD)

15:00 – 15:15  Introduction  

Chair


Paul Tough (Journalist)

15:45 – 16:15  Coffee break

16:15 – 17:15  Roundtable: Towards a holistic approach to skills development  

Discussants: Ina Druviete (Minister of Education and Science, Latvia), Ulrika Stuart Hamilton (State Secretary, Ministry of Education and Research, Sweden), John Easton (Director of the Institute of Education Sciences, USA), Charles Fadel (CCR, BIAC, P21), Silvia Montoya (Buenos Aires, Argentina), Oliver John (UC-Berkeley) and Peter Tymms (U-Durham)

17:15 – 18:00  Conclusions of the Forum and future agenda  

Chair and Viviane Senna (IAS)