

OECD LEED report presentation

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Labour markets in times of ageing and shrinking

Towards a resilient labour market and a vital economy in shrinking regions

Shrinking regions are confronted with a decreasing labour force, particularly induced by ageing and outmigration of high educated young people. On the long term this can have profound consequences for the economical vitality of the regions. The Local Economic and Employment Development (LEED) Programme of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) has been invited by the provinces of Groningen, Drenthe, Zeeland and Limburg and the Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations to reflect and recommend on how to make labour markets in shrinking regions more resilient.

The aim of the conference is to take note of the recommendations of the OECD, to be inspired by successful examples of strengthening regional labour markets and to provide a platform to start tangible initiatives in Dutch shrinking and anticipation regions on this issue.

The programme of the conference is as follows:

12.00-13.00 hrs	Registration and lunch
13.00-13.10 hrs	Opening by chairman Mark Frequin (director-general Housing and Construction at the Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations)
13.10-13.25 hrs	Presentation of the OECD LEED report by Cristina Martinez Fernandez (OECD LEED)
13.25-13.35 hrs	Short comment by Stef Blok, minister for Housing and the Central Government Sector
13.35-13.55 hrs	Keynote speech: "Resilient Labour Markets" by Prof Ed Blakely (University of Sydney)
14.00-15.00 hrs	<p>Workshop round 1: Regional responses for a resilient labour market Different elements of resilient labour markets will be discussed in smaller groups. Each workshop will be introduced by an inspiring example.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Older workers on the labour market, Jaap Snip (IM-ACES) Inclusive labour organisations: redistribution of tasks, Henny Mulders (UWV) Connection between education and labour market: Technique Pact , Pieter Waasdorp (Ministry of EA) Flexible and enterprising labour market, Wynand Bodewes and Anita Van Gils (University of Maastricht) Healthy communities, Diet Hensums (KAW architects and advisors) Smart specialization, Jan Degenhart (Springboard)
15.05-15.40 hrs	<p>Panel discussion: Regional cooperation models for resilient labour markets. In this panel different cooperation models are being discussed according to goals, methods and finance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Territorial Employment Pacts Berenike Ecker (Zentrum für Soziale Innovation, Austria) Regional Employment Pacts for older workers Daniela Luster-Hagedorn (Federal Employment Agency, Stuttgart, Germany) Labour mobility Andreas van den Goorbergh (Transfercentrum West-Brabant, The Netherlands) Regional innovation networks Joost Franssen (GreenTechAlliances-powered by kiEMT, Arnhem, The Netherlands)
15.45-16.45 hrs	<p>Workshop round 2: Possible cooperation models and future actions in Dutch regions Regional stakeholders reflect on insights from earlier sessions and explore possible actions in the own region.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Groningen/Drenthe Zeeland Limburg Anticipation regions International examples
16.50-17.10 hrs	<p>Panel discussion: Towards new impulses for regional labour markets? Provincial policy makers debate about future actions, with reflection of the European Commission.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marianne Besselink (deputee province of Groningen) Bert Kersten (deputee province of Limburg) Robert Strauss (DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, European Commission)
17.10-17.15 hrs	Closure by chairman Mark Frequin and Cristina Martinez (OECD LEED)
17.15-18.00 hrs	Drinks

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