

Welcome



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Director, DARES, French Ministry of Labour

Selma Mahfouz is director of Research, Studies and Statistics at the French Ministry of Labour. She first worked at the French Institute for statistics (*INSEE*), then at the International Monetary Fund, in the Fiscal Affairs department. Back in France, she headed the department “Social and Labour market policies” of the Treasury. She then worked intensively on pension reform, as advisor to the French minister of Social Affairs and Health. She was deputy director of France Stratégie, a public think tank and is co-author with Jean Pisani-Ferry of a book on public policy “A qui la faute”.

Panel 1: Building support for reforms to tackle labour market duality

Moderator



Monika Queisser

Senior Counsellor and Head of Social Policy Division, OECD

Monika Queisser is Senior Counsellor to the Director of the OECD’s Employment, Labour and Social Affairs Directorate. She is also Head of Social Policy Division, where she supervises and coordinates the work on social protection spending, social indicators, pensions, family and child policies, gender equality and diversity, housing and poverty. Her background is in pension system analysis and pension reform. She has been working at the OECD since 1997. In 2007-8, she worked as an adviser to the OECD Secretary-General. Prior to joining the OECD Ms. Queisser worked at the World Bank in Washington, D.C. She was a member of the pensions and insurance group in the Financial Sector Development Department. Her first employment was with the German ifo institute for economic research in Munich. Her professional experience also includes employment as a journalist at daily newspapers and broadcasting in Germany.



Andrea Bassanini

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Damian Grimshaw is Director of the Research department at the International Labour Organisation, Geneva. The department produces the flagship World Employment and Social Outlook reports and conducts original research in key areas of technological change, global supply chains, inequality, macroeconomic policies, social protection, labour market policy, and the green economy. Prior to 2018 he was Professor of Employment Studies at the University of Manchester and Director of the European Work and Employment Research Centre. His published work covers international comparisons of low-wage labour markets, industrial relations, precarious employment, and women's position in the labour market. Recent publications include *Making Work More Equal* (2017) and *Social Dialogue and Economic Performance* (2017).



Sotiria Theodoropoulou

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Sotiria Theodoropoulou is head of the research unit European economic, employment and social policies at the European Trade Union Institute (ETUI), where she has been examining the effects of the crisis responses and fiscal austerity on macroeconomic and labour market performance and on labour market and social policies in Europe. Prior to joining the ETUI, she held research positions at the European Policy Centre in Brussels, the Work Foundation and Chatham House in London and at Trinity College in Dublin, and at LSE from where she also earned her PhD. She is the editor of the collective volume *Labour market policies in the era of pervasive austerity* (2018), whereas her work has also appeared in volumes published by Oxford University Press, Palgrave MacMillan and the *Comparative European Politics* journal.



Marco Leonardi

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Professor Leonardi is the former Economic Adviser to the Prime Minister of the Italian Government (2014-2018) and Full Professor in Economics at the University of Milan, Italy. He received his PhD from the London School of Economics in 2004 and spent visiting periods at MIT, Georgetown and Berkeley. Professor Leonardi's research interests are in labour economics, inequality and education. He has published in several international journals, including in Economic Journal, European Economic Review, and American Economic Journal: applied economics.



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Renate Hornung-Draus is Managing Director and Director European and International Affairs of the Confederation of the German Employers' Association (BDA). She is Chair of the Committee on Employment, Labour and Social Affairs of the Business and Industry Advisory Committee (BIAC) to the OECD and Member of the Governing Body of the International Labour Organisation (ILO) and Vice-Chair and Employer Spokesperson of the ILO's Committee on Multinational Enterprises. She studied economics, politics and sociology in Freiburg and at the Sorbonne.



Ronald Janssen

Senior Policy Advisor, TUAC

Ronald Janssen is working as Senior Economic Policy Advisor at the Trade Union Advisory Committee to the OECD (TUAC). He is specialized in Macro-economic & Employment policy, Collective bargaining & Wage Policy, Social Policy & Social Protection, Health & Steel Policy. He coordinates the TUAC WG on Economic Policy. He has a degree in applied economics, orientation in public and macroeconomics, (Universitaire Faculteiten St Ignatius, Antwerpen, 1981).



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Panel 2: Implementing and evaluating reforms to promote adult skills

Moderator



Philippe Zamora

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Philippe Zamora est directeur de projet chargé de l'évaluation du Plan d'Investissement dans les compétences à la DARES (Ministère du Travail). Il a été sous-directeur dans cette même direction entre 2013 et 2018 chargé du suivi et de l'évaluation des politiques d'emploi et de formation professionnelle. Il est auteur d'études sur l'impact de l'accompagnement et de la formation continue sur le devenir des personnes en recherche d'emploi.

Panel participants



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Glenda Quintini

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Glenda is a senior economist at OECD, overseeing the work on skills carried out by the Employment Labour and Social Affairs Directorate. Activities under her responsibility include: the Directorate's contribution to the rolling out, further development and analysis of the OECD Survey of Adult Skills (PIAAC), including the development of an employer module on skill gaps; the OECD Skills for Jobs database; a project on how countries assess and respond to existing and future skill needs; extensive research and country reviews on adult learning; and the Directorate's contribution to the follow-up to the OECD Skills Strategy. Before joining OECD, Glenda has worked at Credit Suisse First Boston and at the Centre for Economic Performance (CEP) of the London School of Economics. While at CEP, she published a number of papers on job insecurity, public sector pay, nominal wage rigidity, the wage curve and labour market institutions in well-known economic journals.



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Since August 2014 Ann-Sofi Sjöberg has been working at TCO, The Swedish Confederation of Professional Employees as Head of Social Protection, Labour Market and Education Team. She has published a report for TCO concerning the five biggest Job Security Councils (JSC). Furthermore, she is also a member of TUAC, Trade Union Advisory Committee to the OECD, Working Group on Education and Skills. For nearly ten years she worked at TRR Trygghetsrådet, the largest JSC in Sweden as responsible for public relations, public affairs and corporate communications. During these years she released a publication concerning age discrimination at the labour market.

Closing statement



Stefano Scarpetta

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