

OECD Global Forum on Productivity – October UK Workshop

Date: 14th October 2016

Venue: HM Treasury, 1 Horse Guards Road, London (Main Auditorium)

The broad theme of the workshop is practical actions governments can take to improve productivity, grouped around two main themes – looking inside businesses / organisations, and making better use of data.

AGENDA	
9.30 – 9.45	Introductions
9.45 – 12.00	Morning Session – Looking inside the world of work
	The first session focuses on what is going on inside businesses / organisations, given that many of the levers which drive productivity (e.g. management) are in their hands, and those of their employees – not government.
9.45 – 10.45	Session 1: Improving firms' management and leadership capabilities
	UK Growth Voucher Evaluation (Tony Moody, BEIS)
	 'How good is your business really?' – productivity assessment app (Tera Alas, McKinsey)
	Management Practices Survey (Harriet Robinson, ONS)
10.45 – 11.00	Coffee Break
11.00 – 12.00	Session 2: The impact of skills on growth
	Microdata on skill shortages (Daniel Arnold, Germany)
	 UK use of administrative data to estimate benefits from higher / further education (Frank Bowley, BEIS)
12.00 – 13.30	Lunch Break
	Options for lunch include a table lunch with a topical speaker, or if delegates would prefer a buffet lunch with opportunity to take a break / wander outside.
13.30 – 15.45	Afternoon Session – Better Use of Data to Inform Policy

The second session will focus on the practical steps we can take to make better use of data to inform policy, including plugging gaps in measurement of the economy. For example, what are countries' experiences of using firm level data to inform policy?

13.30 – 14.30 Session 3: Plugging the gaps in measurement of the economy

- Firm level intangibles (Rebecca Riley, NIESR)
- Digital economy (Jennifer Ribarsky, OECD)
- Firm level tax data and investment behaviour (Alessandro Modica, Italy)

14.30 – 14.45 *Coffee Break*

14.45 – 15.45 Session 4: Practical use of Microdata to Inform Policy

- Firm level competition data (Chris Jenkins, CMA)
- Firm level management data (Dr Juan Rebolledo, Mexico)
- Productivity & structural reforms (Sílvia Santos, Portugal)

15.45 – 16.00 Closing Remarks and Wrap up

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