

**International Stakeholders Conference
Investing in People and Skills in the Danube Region
The Future of Work: A World of New and Changing Skills**

9 of October, Chisinau, Moldova
Radisson blue hotel, Mitropolit Varlaam Str 77

Agenda

Objective:

The conference will be an opportunity for participants to discuss how globalization, technological progress and innovation influence society, labour market (the impact of globalization and digitalization on quantity and quality of jobs) and policies (including skills policies), how we face challenges for an increasing digital and globalized world. The conference will bring together actors and promoters of the EUSDR from fourteen Danube Region countries and beyond in order to share best practices, to address common challenges of the future, to develop innovative projects and to create networks for policy development of efficient educational and labour market systems by improving educational outcomes, skills development, fostering cooperation of labour market policies and promoting equal opportunities and social inclusion.

Moderation: Sergiu Beznițchi

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| 8.30-9.00 | Registration |
| 9.00-9.45 | Opening statements
Stela Grigoras, Minister of Health, Labor and Social Protection,
Republic of Moldova
Valentin Guznac, State Chancellery, Republic of Moldova
Monica Babuc, Minister of Education, Culture and Research,
Republic of Moldova
Roland Hanak, Federal Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and
Consumer Protection, Austria
Jürgen Schick, Federal Ministry of Education, Austria
Marko Gemmer, EU Delegation Moldova |
| 9.45 - 10.10 | The impact of digitalization on labour markets and skills profiles,
Ummuhan Bardak, ETF |
| 10.10-10.30 | Coffee Break |

- 10.30 -12.30 **Panel discussions 1**
Impact of globalization, technological progress and innovation on society, including labor markets, policy recommendations
Margo A. Hoftijzer, World bank
Ummuhan Bardak, ETF
Ala Lipciu, ILO
Iurie Morcotilo, Expert-grup, Republic of Moldova
Tatiana Bucos, Center for marketing and carrier guidance, Academy of Economic Studies, Republic of Moldova
Daniela Pojar, Technical University, Republic of Moldova
Raisa Dogaru, Director of NEA
- 12.30-13.30 **Lunch**
- 13.30-15.00 **Presentation of relevant projects implemented within PA9:**
- “SEE Technology”, Associate Professor PhD Eduard Hîrbu, Academy of Economic Studies, Republic of Moldova
 - “Lead your way to business”, Oxana Paladiciuc, Organization Medium Enterprises sector development, Republic of Moldova
 - “Digital skills for a successful career”, Daniela Munca-Aftenev, Academy for innovation and changes through education, Republic of Moldova
 - “Danube@work”, Marcus Strohmeier, Austrian Trade Union
 - “InnoSchool”, Jan Kubalik, DEX Innovation Centre, Czech Republic
- 15.00-15.20 **Coffee Break**
- 15.20-15.45 EU funding instruments, **Matija Derk**, EU HLA Adviser on Regional development (tbc)

- 15.45-16.45 **Panel discussions 2**
Skills development at macro regional level: achievements and future perspectives of EUSDR cooperation
Roland Hanak, Priority Area Coordinator, Federal Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Consumer Protection, Austria
Jürgen Schick, Priority Area Coordinator, Federal Ministry of Education, Austria
Anna Gherganova, Priority Area Coordinator, Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection, Republic of Moldova
Ludmila Pavlov (tbc), Priority Area Coordinator, Ministry of Education, Culture and Research, Republic of Moldova
Tatiana Udrea, State Chancellery
Oxana Paierele, National Coordinator, Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Development and Environment
- 16.45-17.00 Main outcomes from Conference (moderator)
- 17.00 – 18.00 Reception, networking