

# Adult Skills: Empowering people

## 6-7 December 2016

Crowne Plaza Brussels - Le Palace, Rue Gineste 3, 1210 Bruxelles

06.12.2016

Time	Activity	Location		
09:00 – 10:00	Registration and welcome coffee	-		
10:00 – 10:30	Official welcome by Commissioner Marianne THYSSEN	Palace Ballroom I and II (ground floor)		
10:30 – 11:15	<b>Why do skills matter?</b> Keynote speech by Deborah ROSEVEARE	Palace Ballroom I and II (ground floor)w		
11:15 – 12:30	<b>Developing adults' skills – how to move from policy objectives to action on the ground?</b> Panel discussion	Palace Ballroom I and II (ground floor)		
12:30 – 13:45	Lunch	Foyer, (ground floor)		
13:45 – 16:30	<b>Parallel Sessions</b>			
	<b>Governance</b>	<b>Flexibility and access</b>	<b>Supply and take up</b>	<b>Quality</b>
13:45 – 15:00	<b>Coherent adult learning policy – is it possible?</b> Klimt (ground floor)	<b>Learning in, for and because of work</b> Vision (8th floor)	<b>Reach out and motivate</b> Creativity and Exploration (1st floor)	<b>Does quality pay off?</b> Inspiration and Evasion (1st floor)
15:00 – 15:15	Coffee break	In front of the parallel sessions rooms		
15:15 – 16:30	<b>PES – public empowering services?</b> Creativity and Exploration (1st floor)	<b>New technologies can increase access to adult learning</b> Vision (8th floor)	<b>How to convince the unconvinced?</b> Inspiration and Evasion (1st floor)	<b>Trainers or ...? – The new roles of adult learning professionals</b> Klimt (ground floor)
16:30 – 16:45	Participants make their way to the plenary session			
16:45 – 18:15	<b>What have we learnt today?</b>	Palace Ballroom I and II (ground floor)		
18:15 – 19:15	Networking drink	Foyer, (ground floor)		

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08:00 – 09:00	Welcome coffee	-
09:00 – 09:05	Welcome	Palace Ballroom I and II (ground floor)
09:05 – 10:30	Upskilling adults – why, how and with whom?	Palace Ballroom I and II (ground floor)
10:30 – 10:45	Participants make their way to the practical workshops	
	<b>Practical workshops</b>	
10:45 – 12:15	<b>Skills assessment, validation and recognition</b> Klimt (ground floor) <b>Tailored offer of education and training</b> Creativity and Exploration (1st floor)	<b>Enablers: coordination, partnership, outreach and guidance</b> Vision (8th floor) <b>Costs and financing</b> Inspiration and Evasion (1st floor) <b>Evidence based policy and monitoring</b> Harmony (1st floor)
12:15 – 13:15	Lunch	Foyer, (ground floor)
13:15 – 13:40	Introduction to the country team work	Palace Ballroom I and II (ground floor)
13:40 – 15:00	Country working teams	Country rooms - tbc
15:00 – 15:15	Participants make their way to the plenary session	
15:15 – 15:50	<b>Keynote speech</b> by Her Royal Highness Princess Laurentien of the Netherlands	Palace Ballroom I and II (ground floor)
15:50 – 16:45	What will we take home?	Palace Ballroom I and II (ground floor)



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It's **multilingual** – all EU languages are covered – so everyone can take part in their own language. Community is at the heart of EPALE. It is set up around the sharing of content related to adult learning, including news, blog posts, resources, and events and courses.

Members of the community can engage with adult learning colleagues across Europe through the **forums** and by commenting under **blogs**.

You can also interact with your peers across Europe through the thematic areas which provide structured content according to topic.

You can **find interesting projects** and make professional connections using the **partner search** tool.

The Adult Skills Conference has a dedicated page on EPALE. The plenary sessions are being **live-streamed** and there will be session summaries and other exclusive content.

You'll also be able to access the conference **presentations** and **documentation** after the event.

What's more, on EPALE you'll be able to join a newly created **Community of Practice** where you can share your ideas and questions about how to take forward the Upskilling Pathways in your country.

So, if you haven't done so already, join EPALE now to become part of Europe's biggest adult learning community!

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