“Navigating the Shifting Landscape: Developing Skills and Education for a Sustainable European Future”

Hosted by MEPs Sirpa Pietikäinen and Paul Tang

15 November 2023 16:00-18:00

Agenda

16h00 Welcome remarks and introduction to the conference –Sirpa Pietikäinen MEP, President GLOBE EU

16h10 Opening Keynote – Emily Sinnott, Head of Division for Strategy and Policy, EIB:

  o Why Europe cannot ignore education and skills development when addressing the long-term challenges of climate change.

16h25 Panel Discussion:

  o Private sector perspectives on the skills and education gaps
    - Andreea Calbeaza, Microsoft - Closing the sustainability skills gap
    - Gülcin Berkel Erem, Dow - STEM skills in a sustainable economy
    - Bart Vandewaetere, Nestlé – “Nestlé needs YOUth” dual learning paths
    - Rasmus Borch, Lenovo - "Turning Waste into Educational Wonder" project

  o The role of the European universities in driving forward future-oriented skills and education– Katrien Maes, Special Initiatives Ambassador Engagement & Impact · League of European Research Universities (LERU)

  o Climate Change Education in Europe – Cliona Murphy, Associate Professor in Science Education, Royal Irish Academy, All European Academies (ALLEA)

  o The role of Erasmus+ in helping students make informed choices and boosting employment – Vito Borrelli, Team Leader of the Erasmus+ – Higher Education program, European Commission DG EAC

17h45 Closing remarks and summary of conclusions – Paul Tang MEP, Vice-President GLOBE EU

18h00 End