

## **Joint OECD-Calouste Gulbenkian Seminar for the launch of the OECD publication**

“Making Integration Work: Young People with Migrant Parents”

23 March, 15h30-17h30 (Central European Time)

OECD-wide, youth who are either themselves foreign-born or who are native-born with foreign-born parents account for nearly one in five 15 to 34-year-olds. Their population share is increasing in virtually all OECD countries and the outcomes in terms of labour market and education are often well below those of their peers who have native-born parents. Given that these young people with foreign-born parents are raised and educated in the countries to which their parents migrated, these gaps are worrying and a threat to social cohesion. Against this background, the OECD has prepared, with the support of several member countries and two foundations (Roi Baudouin Foundation and Stiftung Mercator), a publication “Making Integration Work: Young People with Migrant Parents” that summarises main lessons from the OECD’s work in this area and the experiences of OECD countries in the integration of young people with migrant parents. The publication is structured along eleven main policy lessons with supporting examples of good practice. It also provides a comprehensive comparison of the policy frameworks that govern policy strategies for the integration of young people with migrant parents in OECD countries.

The lessons are:

- Use inclusive language to refer to youth with migrant parents
- Make sure all children start school on an equal footing
- Provide flexible education pathways for youth born abroad
- Involve immigrant parents in the education process
- Reduce the concentration of disadvantaged youth with immigrant parents
- Prevent school drop-out and establish second-chance programmes
- Promote educational excellence and role modelling
- Facilitate the school-to-work transition
- Tackle discrimination and encourage diversity
- Foster social integration through sports and associations
- Encourage naturalisation

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## Agenda

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15:30 -15:40

### Welcome

**Stefano Scarpetta**, Director for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs, OECD

**Pedro Calado**, Deputy Director, Gulbenkian Foundation

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### Presentation by the OECD Secretariat of key findings

**Elisabeth Kamm**, International Migration Division, OECD

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### Interactive break-out sessions with discussions around four key topics identified in the report

#### 1. Promoting public service employment

*(Moderator: Françoise Pissart, Director, Fondation Roi Baudoin)*

#### 2. Combatting discrimination and promoting diversity

*(Moderator: Thomas Liebig, Principal Administrator, International Migration Division, OECD)*

#### 3. Involving parents

*(Moderator: Christine Mühlbach, Head of Division, Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth, Germany)*

#### 4. Engaging with sports and associations

*(Moderator: Pedro Calado, Deputy Director, Gulbenkian Foundation)*

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16:30 - 16:45

### Reporting back from the parallel sessions

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16:45 - 17:30

### The Way Forward: Improving the integration of youth with migrant parents

#### Closing roundtable with high-level representatives

**Cláudia Pereira**, Secretary of State for Integration and Migration, Portuguese EU presidency

**Grunde Kreken Almeland**, State Secretary for Integration, Norway

**Jiri Svarc**, Head of Social Investment Strategy Unit, Directorate-General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, European Commission

**Karim El-Helaifi**, Chair, New German Organisations (NDO)

*Moderator:*

**Jean-Christophe Dumont**, Head of International Migration Division, OECD: