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Skills without colours? How to navigate the green transition in local labour markets

*Spatial productivity for regional and local development
22nd meeting*

10 July 2024 | DIGITAL EVENT

AGENDA



■ The OECD Trento Centre for Local Development

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■ The OECD Spatial Productivity Lab

The OECD Spatial Productivity Lab (SPL) is a dedicated research laboratory that works with local and global partners to improve our understanding of the spatial dimension of productivity growth, the relevance of links between different types of places and how regional policy can facilitate productivity growth, creation of better jobs and increased well-being.

■ Venue of the meeting

Virtual meeting over ZOOM.

To participate, please register [here](#). Link with log-in details will be sent to all registered participants.

■ Language

The meeting will be held in English.

■ Websites

OECD Trento Centre: www.trento.oecd.org

OECD Spatial Productivity Lab: oe.cd/SPL

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Wednesday

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Venue: *Virtual meeting over ZOOM | 15.30-16.45 CEST (Paris/Rome time zone)*

As the world faces a growing urgency to address the climate crisis, the green transition has become an essential focus for many communities, organisations and industries. However, the transition to sustainable, low-carbon regional economies requires a workforce with specific skills and competencies. Some jobs will change or disappear, while new jobs for the green economy emerge. This presents challenges for local labour markets, because the places where jobs disappear may not be the same as where the new jobs are created. Moreover, even if the green transition creates jobs in the same place, the skill requirements for such new jobs may be substantially different from those required in disappearing jobs. The differences in skill requirements are likely to vary across places due to characteristics of local labour markets, such as its size and the industrial composition of the region. This webinar will discuss the analytical tools to identify across local labour markets the skills demand for the green transition, how easily current workers can transition in such jobs and local policy experiments that are already underway to help workers find and access the right alternative job.

Chair: *Lukas Kleine-Rueschkamp*, Economist and Co-ordinator of local labour market analysis unit, Local Employment, Skills and Social Innovation Division, Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities (CFE), OECD

15.25-15.30 ZOOM meeting open for connection

15.30-15.40 **Introduction**

Lukas Kleine-Rueschkamp, Economist and coordinator of local labour market analysis unit, Local Employment, Skills and Social Innovation Division, Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities (CFE), OECD

15.40-15.55 **The Skills Taxonomy and Open Jobs Observatory for Green Job Transition in UK regions**

Zayn Meghji, Interim Senior Programme Manager, Nesta and *Liz Gallagher*, Principal Data Scientist, Nesta, UK

15.55-16.10 **The role of skills and geography in job changes for the green transition**

Wessel Vermeulen, Economist, Spatial Productivity Lab, Trento Centre for Local Development, CFE, OECD

16.10-16.20 **Skills based labour matching tools in the real world**

Simon Schmid, Partner, Skillab.io, the Netherlands

16.20-16.40 **Q&A**

16.40-16.45 **Closing remarks**

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