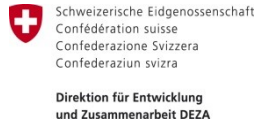


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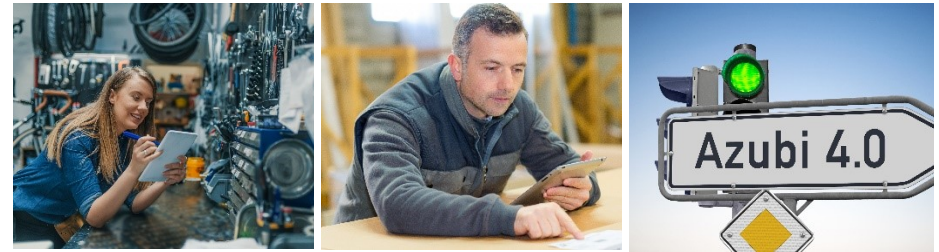


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16 November 2023

2:00 – 5:00 pm, followed by Apéro riche

Digitalization is one of key megatrends that affects both labour markets and education systems. In this context, vocational education and training (VET) is confronted with the high expectation that it should prepare learners for the digitalized world of work in a targeted and, if possible, occupation-specific manner. Such aspirations have become key in many international cooperation projects that support VET. But what digital skills are actually in demand in the labour markets of low and middle-income countries? And how can VET sustainably contribute to the targeted development of such competences against the backdrop of scarce financial resources?

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Speakers

Dr. Ashwani Aggarwal	Workgroup Leader (Skills Policy, Systems and Digitalization), ILO
Dr. Anthony Gewer	Education Sector Strategist, National Business Initiative
Juan Ivan Martin	Skills Digitalization Specialist, ILO
Renato Operti	Senior Programme Specialist, IBE-UNESCO
Erik Swars	Head of International Relations, SFUVET
Dr. Seyhah Ven	Research Fellow, CDRI

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2:00	Opening & Welcome in the Aula Markus Maurer & Erik Swars , FoBBIZ
2:15	Digital Skills in Vocational Education and Training: Opportunities and Challenges in View of Changing Labour Markets Dr. Ashwani Aggarwal , Workgroup Leader (Skills Policy, Systems and Digitalization), Skills and Employability Branch, Employment Policy Department, ILO & Juan Ivan Martin , Skills Digitalization Specialist, ILO Discussant: Renato Operti , Senior Programme Specialist, Department Innovation and Leadership in Curriculum and Learning, IBE-UNESCO
	<i>Break</i>
3:30	Parallel Workshops
WS 1:	Digital Skills in labour markets and VET systems: The cases of Cambodia and South Africa (online participation possible on demand) Dr. Seyhah Ven , Cambodia Development Resource Institute (CDRI) Dr. Anthony Gewer , Education Sector Strategist: TVET, Skills and Labour Markets, National Business Initiative (NBI)
WS 2:	Dual digital and green transition and the impact on skills needs – Promising practices of the UNESCO-UNEVOC expert group Erik Swars , Head International Relations, SFUVET Enrique Blanco , Projects & Communications Manager, École d'Hôtellerie et de Tourisme Paul Dubrulle, Cambodia Dr Billy Wadongo , Head of Research, Innovation & Business, Boma International Hospitality College, Kenya Mary Mutisya , Assistant Professor, Tourism and Hospitality Chair Hospitality & Tourism Management United States International University, Africa
4:35	Discussion of the findings from the workshops
4:55	Conclusion Markus Maurer & Erik Swars , FoBBIZ
5:00	Apéro riche in the Aula