INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC POLICY

Shaping the future: Connecting career development and workforce development

Purpose

 To examine the application of career development services to the creation of effective workforce development strategies.

Objectives

- To examine how career development services can be better used to respond to workforce development challenges and support workforce development goals
- To make the links between career development and workforce development clear for all stakeholders (governments; policy makers; employers; trade unions; practitioners; parents; learners and workers)
- To further develop an international vision for workforce development and career services delivery
- To further develop a national vision and an action plan for implementing the results of this symposium
- To learn from the promising practices and action plans of other countries
- To use existing resources (eg Best Practices from country papers; the ICCDPP; the Policy Handbook; the OECD and spin-off reports; and the country papers prepared for this Symposium) to support national action
- To identify critical next steps on the agenda to move forward as an international community.

Expected outcomes

- A clearer perspective on the mutually supporting relationships between workforce development and career development
- Continued support for international collaboration to progress the Symposium recommendations.

Outputs

- A Symposium communique with a set of recommendations for different stakeholders
- An international community action plan including support for the ICCDPP and upcoming Symposia
- Country action plans for use back in the participants countries and for sharing
- Shaping the Future Symposium proceedings