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Paris, France

Preliminary Agenda

08:30 - 09:00 **Check-In**

09:00 - 09:15 **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

From Buzzword to Blueprint: Making Competency-Based Education Real in the Age of AI

Michaela Horvathova - Co-Founder & CEO, Beyond Education

09:15 - 10:15 **Keynote : AI's next chapter for human competency development**

Embedding competencies into courseware – and making sure they stick

Charles Fadel - Founder, Center for Curriculum Redesign

10:15 - 10:45 **Morning Break & Networking**

10:45 - 11:30 **Session 1 : Emerging Reflections on UNESCO's AI Competency Frameworks:
Charting Pathways Through Complexity**

UNESCO's roadmap for AI-powered competency growth.

Dr. Shafika Isaacs - Chief of Section: Technology & AI in Education, UNESCO

11:30 - 12:15 **Interactive Panel : Harnessing AI to Grow Human Potential**

Using AI to Build the Skills That Matter. An interactive session where the audience will engage with the panel for Q&A

Dr. Madiha Khan - Director, Educate Ventures Research

Dr. João Costa - Director, European Agency for Special Needs
and Inclusive Education

Dr. Kim Brandes - Director Co-Creation, NOLAI

Dr. Colin de la Higuera - UNESCO Chair in Open Educational Resources

Moderator: Michaela Horvathova

12:15 - 13:30 **On-Site Lunch & Networking**

13:30 - 14:15 **Session 2 : Learning in the World of AI**

Latest insights from PISA's global assessments along with data on how AI use by teachers and students is shaping outcomes

Andreas Schleicher - Director for Education & Skills, OECD

14:15 - 15:00 **Session 3 : New Frontiers in Competency Assessment**

Complementary approaches to evaluating competencies

Robbie Taylor (Head of Research, CCR): Longitudinal tests

Dr. Nathan Roberson (Head of Research, BE): Lessons from Real-World
Implementations of the BE Assessment

15:00 - 15:30 **Session 4: Rethinking Universities in an AI World**

François Taddei - Founder of the Learning Planet Institute

In conversation with: Michaela Horvathova

15:30 - 16:00 **Coffee/ Tea Break & Networking**

16:00 - 17:00 **Panel : Competencies in Action - Inspiring Stories from Schools**

Education leaders sharing best practices in developing and evaluating key competencies

Opening Perspectives: Despina Sarioglu - Principal, Beyond International School

Panelists:

Iciar Garcia Montenegro - Principal, Affinitas (Spain)

Afonso Mendonça Reis - Founder, Mentres Empreendedoras (Portugal)

Dr. Fatma Odaymat - Director, ARIS (Ghana)

Susanne Østegaard Olsen - Project Manager & Senior Lecturer, Business Academy Aarhus (Denmark)

Moderator: Michaela Horvathova

17:00 - 17:45 **Final Session : From Reflection to Action**

A closing invitation to participants to transform the day's insights into meaningful next steps

Julie Jungalwala - Founder and Director, Institute for the Future of Learning

17:45 - 18:00 **Concluding Remarks**

Charles Fadel - Founder, Center for Curriculum Redesign

18:00 - 19:00 **Networking**