

BILT Bridging Event TVET for hospitality and tourism: Solutions for the digital and green transition Organised by UNESCO-UNEVOC, BIBB, Temasek Polytechnic (Singapore) Co-hosted by the Ministry of Education Singapore, Chair of the ASEAN TVET Council 26-28 June 2023 Singapore and online	
26 June 2023 9:00 – 17:00 On-site participants only Networking event, Expert Group Meeting All times are indicated in SGT (GMT +8)	
8:30 – 9:00	Arrival Temasek Polytechnic Conference Center
9:00 – 9:15 Temasek Convention Centre	Opening and welcome remarks Moderators: Ms Natalie Ax, BILT Project Officer, UNESCO-UNEVOC and Ms Cara Schmitt, BILT Project Officer, Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB), Germany Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Lim Teng Leng, Deputy Director International Relations, Temasek Polytechnic, Singapore - Mr Kenny Muscat, Project Manager for BILT, UNESCO-UNEVOC - Ms Katharina Engel, Project Manager for BILT, Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB), Germany
9:15 – 9:40 Temasek Convention Centre	TVET trends in Asia-Pacific: Innovation and Excellence to accelerate the dual transition Moderators: Ms Natalie Ax, UNESCO-UNEVOC and Ms Cara Schmitt, BIBB, Germany

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	<p><i>A discussion on current TVET trends in Asia-Pacific will set the scene for the three-day event. The session will focus on how TVET institutions can meet the emerging demand for green and digital skills by committing to innovation and excellence.</i></p> <p>Speakers: TBC</p>
<p>9:40 – 9:55</p> <p>Temasek Convention Centre</p>	<p>Matchmaking Sessions - Introduction Moderators: Ms Natalie Ax, UNESCO-UNEVOC and Ms Cara Schmitt, BIBB, Germany</p> <p><i>BILT Matchmaking Sessions offer an opportunity to build and strengthen international partnerships among TVET institutions from Asia-Pacific, Africa and Europe. In this context, the event host Temasek Polytechnic will share how they enhance the quality of teaching and learning opportunities through international collaboration and peer-learning.</i></p> <p>Speaker: Mr Lim Teng Leng, Temasek Polytechnic, Singapore</p>
<p>9:55 – 10:05</p>	<p>Transition break</p>
<p>10:05 – 11:20</p> <p>Temasek Convention Centre</p> <p>Room 'Africa'</p> <p>Room 'Europe'</p>	<p>Matchmaking Sessions I</p> <p>The matchmaking sessions illustrate institutional efforts to translate the TVET qualification and competency development from policy to practice. Participants will join a session of their choice, and share first-hand experiences, engage in peer-learning and meet potential partners for future partnerships and collaboration.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Ensuring relevance: Temasek Polytechnic's collaborative approach in preparing students for the hospitality and tourism industry, Mr Benjamin Cassim, Senior Lecturer, Temasek Polytechnic, Singapore</i> <i>Digital entrepreneurship training for women in tourism: How to make it really work, Ms Catheryn Khoo, Professor of Hospitality and Tourism, Torrens University, Australia</i> <i>Presentation title, Mr Nirutt Butrsaenlee, Office of the Vocational Education Commission (OVEC), Thailand</i>

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11:20 – 12:00	Coffee & networking break
12:00 – 13:15 Temasek Convention Centre Room 'Africa' Room 'Europe'	Matchmaking Sessions II 1. <i>Presentation title, Ms Hang Le</i> , Vice Provost, Duy Tan University (DTU), Viet Nam 2. TBC 3. <i>Presentation title, Mr Mohamed Hashim</i> , Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Maldives Polytechnic, Maldives
13:15 – 14:30	Lunch break
14:30 – 17:30 Temasek Convention Centre	Meeting of BILT Expert Group (invited participants only) Hybrid working meeting of the BILT Expert Group on the digital and green transition in the hospitality and tourism sector
14:30 – 17:30	Visit Temasek Polytechnic <i>Guided tour of learning and teaching facilities</i> - Temasek Tourism Academy - TP E-Commerce Centre
19:00	Joint Dinner at Singapore Mandai Zoo Hosted by Temasek Polytechnic

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<p>27 June 2023 9:00 – 17:00</p> <p>Hybrid: On-site and online All times are indicated in SGT (GMT +8)</p>	
8:30 – 9:00	<p>Arrival Online and on-site</p>
<p>9:00 – 9:25</p> <p>Temasek Convention Centre, streamed online</p> <p><i>English-German translation</i></p>	<p>Opening ceremony Moderator: Mr Benjamin Cassim, Temasek Polytechnic</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Peter Lam, Principal & CEO, Temasek Polytechnic, Singapore - Mr Christoph Hallier, Deputy Head of Mission, German Embassy Singapore - Ms Karima El Korri, UN Resident Coordinator (TBC) - Ms Catrin Hannken, Deputy Director General for VET, Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), Germany - Mr Friedrich Huebler, Head of UNESCO-UNEVOC
<p>9:25 – 10:15</p> <p>Temasek Convention Centre, streamed online</p> <p><i>English-German translation</i></p>	<p>Flexible, inclusive, excellent TVET: Requirements for promoting the digital and green transition</p> <p>Moderator: Mr Michael Wiechert, Deputy Head of Department 'VET International', Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB), Germany</p> <p>Keynote: Mr Friedrich Hubert Esser, President, Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB), Germany</p> <p>Impulse talks by</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Karen Chong, Coordinating Divisional Director of Higher Education Group, Ministry of Education (MOE), Singapore (holding the Chair of the ASEAN TVET Council) - Mr Hambani Masheleni, Acting Director, Education, Science, Technology and Innovation, African Union Commission

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	<p>- Ms Catrin Hannken, BMBF, Germany</p>
<p>10:15 – 11:00</p> <p>Temasek Convention Centre, streamed online</p> <p><i>English-German translation</i></p>	<p>Future-proofing TVET systems for the dual transition – Panel discussion with Q&A</p> <p>Moderator: Mr Michael Wiechert, BIBB, Germany</p> <p>Panellists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Friedrich Hubert Esser, BIBB, Germany - Ms Karen Chong, MOE, Singapore - Mr Hambani Masheleni, African Union Commission - Ms Catrin Hannken, BMBF, Germany
<p>11:00 – 11:45</p>	<p>Coffee & networking break, group photo for on-site participants</p> <p>Online: opportunity to explore the networking area on the conference platform and connect with peers 1:1 via chat or video</p> <p>On-site: a group photo will be taken</p>
<p>11:45 – 13:00</p> <p>Temasek Convention Centre, streamed online</p> <p>Room 'Africa'</p>	<p>Breakout sessions 'Critical core skills in hospitality and tourism' (2 parallel sessions)</p> <p><i>The objective of these sessions is to share and discuss how critical core skills can be identified across current and newly emerging disciplines, within the hospitality and tourism industry, and how they can be integrated into general TVET frameworks.</i></p> <p>Breakout session I Public and private sector: Jointly addressing labour and skills shortage Moderator: Ms Katharina Engel, BIBB, Germany</p> <p>Speakers: TBC</p> <p>Breakout session II TVET authorities: Designing competency-based curricula Moderator: Mr Kenny Muscat, UNESCO-UNEVOC</p>

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	Speakers: TBC
13:00 – 15:00 Online only	<p>Virtual gallery of innovative TVET practices Moderators: Ms Valbona Makovci, Student Assistant, BIBB, Germany and Mr Liucheng Pan, Expert on Loan, UNESCO-UNEVOC</p> <p><i>The virtual gallery on the conference platform will display innovative TVET practices and provide an opportunity to connect with the implementing institutions for peer-learning.</i></p>
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 – 15:00 Temasek Convention Centre	<p>Panel discussion with industry partners from the hospitality and tourism industry Moderator: Mr Benjamin Cassim, Temasek Polytechnic</p> <p><i>The intent of this session is to explore which core skills and competencies increase employability from an industry perspective. The panel discussion will outline the role industrial players have in the training of TVET students.</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Kung Teong Wah, General Manager, PARKROYAL on Beach Road Singapore - Mr Stewart Fu, Director of Learning & Development, The Ritz-Carlton, Millenia Singapore
15:00 – 15:30	Tea Break
16:00 – 17:30	<p>Study visit to ITE College West <i>Guided tour of learning and teaching facilities.</i></p>
18:30	<p>Joint dinner at Pistachio Hosted by UNESCO-UNEVOC</p>

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<p>28 June 2023 9:00 – 14:00</p> <p>Hybrid: On-site and online All times are indicated in SGT (GMT +8)</p>	
8:30 – 9:00	<p>Arrival Online and on-site</p>
9:00 – 9:05 Temasek Convention Centre, streamed online	<p>Opening and welcome remarks Moderator: Mr Benjamin Cassim, Temasek Polytechnic, Singapore</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Michael Schwarz, Deputy Head of Division ‘International Advisory Services / Cooperation with Partner Institutions’, BIBB, Germany - Mr Jean Lee Tung, Secretary General, Singapore National Commission for UNESCO (TBC)
9:05 – 9:45 Temasek Convention Centre, streamed online	<p>Keynote and Q&A: The Singapore TVET Framework for Pre-Employment and Continuing Education Moderator: Mr Benjamin Cassim, Temasek Polytechnic, Singapore</p> <p><i>This keynote address offers a discussion on Singapore’s approach to developing a future-oriented TVET framework based on the critical core skills that can be applied to not just the current business landscape, but also aid in future-proofing the existing workforce as well as those entering the workforce.</i></p> <p>Speaker:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Tai Jo Fang, Assistant Director of Jobs-Skills Insights Division, SkillsFuture Singapore
9:45 – 11:00 Temasek Convention Centre, streamed online	<p>Critical core skills in hospitality and tourism: Innovative TVET practices Moderators: Ms Franziska Wettstein, Expert, Development of Occupations, and Mr Erik Swars, Head of International Affairs, Swiss Federal University for Vocational Education and Training (SFUVET), Switzerland (Expert Group Lead)</p>

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	<p><i>The objective of these sessions is to present practical approaches to incorporating new industry requirements for digital and green skills and competencies into TVET training and learning. Participants will join a session of their choice and have opportunities to discuss and share approaches and promising practices.</i></p> <p>Session I: Digital skills in TVET training and learning Moderators: Ms Franziska Wettstein and Mr Erik Swars, SFUVET, Switzerland (Expert Group Lead)</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Enrique Blanco, Projects & Communications Manager, École d’Hôtellerie et de Tourisme Paul Dubrulle (EHT), Cambodia (Expert Group Co-Lead) - TBC
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 – 12:45 Temasek Convention Centre, streamed online	<p>Session II: Green Skills in TVET training and learning Moderators: Ms Franziska Wettstein and Mr Erik Swars, SFUVET, Switzerland (Expert Group Lead)</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Billy Wadongo, Head of Research, Innovation & Business, Boma International Hospitality College (BIHC), Kenya (Expert Group Co-Lead) - TBC
12:45 – 13:10 Temasek Convention Centre, streamed online	<p>The BILT project: Status quo and where do we want to go? Moderator: Mr Friedrich Huebler, UNESCO-UNEVOC</p> <p><i>This session will place BILT in the context of international TVET strategies and policies such as the UNESCO-TVET Strategy 2022-2029. The goal is to explore ways for the BILT Community to actively participate and contribute to project activities and to jointly discuss future milestones for the BILT project.</i></p>

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	<p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Nicholas Ouma, Senior Youth Advisor, African Union Commission - Mr Michael Schwarz, BIBB, Germany
<p>13:10 – 13:15</p> <p>Temasek Convention Centre, streamed online</p>	<p>Closing Moderator: Mr Friedrich Huebler, UNESCO-UNEVOC</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms Catrin Hannken, BMBF, Germany - Mr Aw Tuan Kee, Deputy Principal/CEO Temasek Polytechnic, Singapore
<p>13:15 – 14:00</p>	<p>Lunch</p>
<p>14:00 – 16:00</p>	<p>UNEVOC Network members meeting (invited participants only) Moderator: Ms Ken Barrientos, Regional Focal Point for Asia and the Pacific, UNESCO-UNEVOC</p> <p><i>Update from UNEVOC Centres on current initiatives, future plans and opportunities for engagement</i></p>

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