



Informal meeting of the Ministers in charge of Vocational Education and Training and the Ministers in charge of Higher Education

| **Bordeaux, 25th and 26th november 2008**

Programme

**Tuesday,
25th november**

2:00 - 5:30 pm	Meeting of European Directors General in charge of Education and Vocational Training : finalisation of the Bordeaux Communiqué
Afternoon	Arrival of Ministers and delegations Reception, shuttle service and accommodation at the Pullman Aquitania Hotel Avenue Jean-Gabriel Domergue, 33300 Bordeaux-Lac
7:15 pm	Bus shuttle service to Château Smith Haut Lafitte
7:45 pm	Visit to wine storehouses
8:30 pm	Official dinner at the Château Smith Haut Lafitte
10:45 pm	Back to the hotels

**Wednesday,
26th november**

8:30 am	Reception at the Palais des Congrès de Bordeaux Avenue Jean-Gabriel Domergue, 33300 Bordeaux-Lac
9:00 am	Official opening Mr Xavier DARCOS, Minister of National Education, France Mr Ján FIGEL', European Commissioner for Education, Training, Culture and Youth
9:20 am	Presentation : report on progress and key messages for the Copenhagen process: "From Helsinki to Bordeaux" Ms Aviana BULGARELLI, Director of CEDEFOP
9:40 am	Presentation of the Communiqué Mr Jean-Louis NEMBRINI, Executive Director in charge of school education, Ministry of National Education, France
9:50 am	Adoption of the Communiqué
10:00 am	Workshop and discussions on the first topic "European vocational education and training: enhancing attractiveness, promoting excellence and increasing mobility"



- 10:50 am** Presentation of Euroskills awards by Ministers
Group photograph
Coffee break and Press point of Mr Xavier DARCOS and Mr Ján FIGEL'
- 11:30 am** Workshop and discussions on the second topic
"New jobs, new skills: how to respond to the future skills before 2020"
- 12:30 pm** Departure by bus to the Hôtel de ville de Bordeaux
- 1:00 pm** Lunch at the Hôtel de ville hosted by Mr Alain JUPPÉ,
former Prime Minister, Mayor of Bordeaux
- 2:30 pm** Return by bus to the Palais des Congrès
- 3:00 pm** **Session starts again**
Ms Valérie PÉCRESSE, Minister of Higher Education and Research, France
Mr Ján FIGEL',

Presentation of the "European Universities' Charter on Lifelong Learning"
by the President of the European University Association (EUA),
Professor Georg WINKLER, Rector of the University of Vienna

Testimony by a representative of the economic world
- 3:45 pm** Debate on implementation of the principles outlined by the Charter
"How to develop the contribution of universities to lifelong education
and training, and how to include this in their strategies"
- 4:45 pm** **Official closing**
Mr Ján FIGEL'
Ms Valérie PÉCRESSE
- 5:00 pm** **End of the session**
Press point of Ms Valérie PÉCRESSE and Mr Ján FIGEL'
Departure of the delegations : shuttle service to the airport
and the SNCF railway station