

Save the Date

WISE@Paris - Education Futures: Fostering Learning Societies, February 20-21, 2019 – Paris, France

Two days to design your own learning journey and imagine the future(s) of education

Paris, France, January 10, 2019: The World Innovation Summit for Education (WISE), an initiative of Qatar Foundation (QF), will hold its next regional forum, WISE@Paris, on 20 and 21 February 2019 under the theme 'Education Futures: Fostering Learning Societies.' This event is placed under the High Patronage of Mr Emmanuel MACRON, President of the French Republic.

Over the course of two days, WISE@Paris will gather around 800 local and international thought leaders, practitioners, innovators and the media to discuss and foster the learning societies of today and tomorrow.

On 20 February, participants will have the opportunity to create their own learning journey across various venues in Paris by joining discussions and interactive sessions around the future of learning, organized by WISE and its partners: [the Center for Research and Interdisciplinarity \(CRI\)](#), [UNESCO](#), [Sciences Po](#) and [Pixis](#) & [Ashoka](#) at Station F. These activities will include workshops, panel discussions, and roundtables. For more information about the program of the day, please visit: <https://www.wise-qatar.org/paris-education-futures>

On February 21, participants will reconvene for a one-day forum at Palais de Tokyo to engage in a variety of interactive formats and further explore key topics, as well as to discover innovative models to meet the educational challenges facing France and the world today, such as:

- **Rethinking K-12 education:** how can new findings in learning science help us design successful interventions in education?
- **Empowering teachers and education leaders:** In light of advances in technology, how to effectively accompany teachers so they can thrive in their role and positively impact our children?
- **Decrypting the future of work:** What role education will play in preparing individuals to adapt and thrive along new technologies?
- **Cultivating global citizenship:** What are the models to follow to foster civic engagement?

Confirmed speakers include:

H.E. Dr. Matthew Opoku Prempeh, Minister of Education, Ministry of Education of the Republic of Ghana

Dr. François Taddei, Co-founder and Director, the Center for Research and Interdisciplinarity (CRI)

Ms. Clara Gaymard, Co-founder, RAISE

Ms. Alaina Percival, CEO, Women Who Code

Mr. Martin Hirsch, President, Institut de l'Engagement

Dr. Maggie Aderin-Pocock MBE, Space Scientist and co-presenter of "Sky At Night" (BBC)

Mr. Andreas Schleicher, Director for the Directorate of Education and Skills, OECD

Mr. Nicolas Sadirac, Founder, 42

Ms. Svenia Busson, Founder & CEO, LearnSpace

Ms. Vivian Onano, Youth Advisor for Global Education Monitoring Report, UNESCO

Previous WISE@ events have been held in Accra, Beijing, Madrid, Tunis, and, most recently, New York during the UN Global Goals Week. These regional events are grounded in partnership with stakeholders to drive transformation in education with major change-makers and influencers, with the aim of generating tangible global educational impact.

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About the World Innovation Summit for Education (WISE):

The World Innovation Summit for Education was established by Qatar Foundation in 2009 under the leadership of its Chairperson, Her Highness Sheikha Moza bint Nasser. WISE is an international, multi-sectoral platform for creative, evidence-based thinking, debate, and purposeful action in education. Through the biennial summit, collaborative research and a range of on-going programs, WISE is a global reference in new approaches to education.

For further information about WISE, visit www.wise-qatar.org