

EDUCATION AND SKILLS FOR EMPLOYMENT

Building Futures for the Mediterranean Youth
A Joint Conference by the UfM, the MedNC Network,
and the HOMERe Programme

2-3 DECEMBER 2025 / ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT



Agenda

2 December - Von Gerber House, Anna Lindh Foundation

Programme for MedNC & HOMERe members only

- 09.00 – 09.30 Joint Welcome (Blue Salon)
- 09.30 - 13.00 General Assembly of the MedNC Network (Blue Salon)
Meeting of the HOMERe network national branches (First Floor)
- 13.00 -14.00 Lunch (Dining Room)
- 15.00 - 18.00 MedNC: Visits to local socio-professional integration initiatives in Alexandria
(ICEALEX & Al Sawaed Foundation)
HOMERe: Visit of the new campus of Senghor University
- 19.30 – 21.30 Dinner (White & Blue Greek Nautical Club - Kayetbai, As Sayalah Sharq, Al Gomrok)

3 December - Bibliotheca Alexandrina, Delegates Hall

- 08.45 – 09.15 Registration
- 09.15 - 09.45 **Opening Session**
 - **Joan Borrell**, Deputy Secretary General in charge of Higher Education and Research, Union for the Mediterranean
 - **Josep Ferré**, Executive Director, Anna Lindh Foundation
 - **Helena Winiarska**, Team Leader for Migration and Security, Directorate-General for the Middle East, North Africa and the Gulf (DG MENA), European Commission
 - **Astrid Desjobert**, Partnerships and Communications Director, Institut Européen de Coopération et de Développement (IECD); Coordinator of the Mediterranean New Chance network (MedNC)
 - **Lamia Ferguène**, HR M&A Operations Director, Groupe BPCE; President of HOMERe France

- 09.45 - 10.45 **Enhancing Youth Mobility Opportunities Throughout the Mediterranean**
 Chair: **Lamia Ferguène**, HR M&A Operations Director, Groupe BPCE; President of HOMERe France
Video about the HOMERe internship experience.
- **Mohamed Saad**, President of the Egyptian Section of the Foreign Trade Advisors of France (CCE), President & CEO NEA for Signify
 - **Youssef Aroog**, Founder of the Mediterranean Youth Foundation
 - **Rania El Guindy**, Head of External Relations, Université Senghor
 - **Marwan El-Sammak**, Chairman & CEO at Ship & C.R.E.W. Egypt, President of the Alexandria Branch of the French Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Egypt (CCIFE)
- 10.45 - 11.15 Coffee break
- 11.15 - 12.00 **Youth Voices and Dialogue** - Interactive Session
Video about the Second Chance opportunity (MedNC)
- 12.00 - 13.00 Visit to Bibliotheca Alexandrina
- 13.00 - 15.00 Buffet Lunch & Networking
- 15.00 - 15.30 **Keynote Speeches**
- **Roland Sarton**, Employment Specialist, International Labour Organisation
 - **Anis Saïdi**, Country Manager at the Education Outcomes Fund (EOF)
- 15.30 - 16.30 **Skills for the Jobs of the Future**
 Chair: **Emmanuelle Roue**, Team Leader, Neighbourhood International Affairs Unit, DG EMPL, European Commission
- **Marwa Hammad**, Head of the Global Gender Strategy, Youth Education & Entrepreneurship, Schneider Electric Foundation
 - **Hugues Moussy**, Head of Intelligence Unit, European Training Foundation
 - **David Al Chabab**, Programme Directeur, Semeurs d'Avenir
 - **Nora Abou El Seoud**, Chief Executive Officer, Education For Employment - Egypt (EFE)
- 16.30 - 17.30 **Youth Advocacy**
- **Mohamed Okasha**, Managing Director, MENA Hackathons
 - **Saleh Njoya**, HOMERe Alumni
 - **Fatma Bouabdous**, MedNYouth
 - **Samah Abdallah**, Safir Ambassador
 - **Ahmed Gouda**, Mediterranean Student Summit – University of Alexandria
- 17.30 - 18.00 **Wrap Up and Closing Remarks**
- 18.00 - 21.00 Closing Cocktail

MC: **Véronique Moncada**, Director General, Mediterranean Engineering and Management Schools Network (RMEIM)

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