

Education – a key driver for development

- Julia Gillard

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Julia Gillard



Julia Gillard was appointed as Chair of the Board of Directors of the Global Partnership for Education in February 2014. She served as Prime Minister of Australia between 2010 and 2013 and delivered nation-changing policies including reforming Australia’s education at every level from early childhood to university education, improving the provision and sustainability of health care, aged care and dental care, commencing the nation’s first ever national scheme to care for people with disabilities. Before becoming Prime Minister, Ms. Gillard was Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Education, Employment and Workplace Relations and Social Inclusion.

PROGRAM



16h – 16h15

Introductions

- **prof. dr. Paul De Knop**, rector of Vrije Universiteit Brussel
- **Klaus Rudischhauser**, Deputy Director-General - DG International Cooperation and Development, European Commission
- **Thomas Dedeurwaerdere** van UNDP Brussels

16h15 – 16h45

Keynote speech by **Julia Gillard**

16h45 - 17h20

Q&A

17h20 – 17h30

Response by **Ms Tove Wang**, CEO of Save the Children Norway

17h30 – 18h

Award ceremony for doctor honoris causa **Julia Gillard**



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Paul De Knop

Paul De Knop has a Ph.D. in Physical Education at the Faculty of Physical Education of Vrije Universiteit Brussels, Belgium, graduated in leisure studies at the same university and earned a Master Degree in Sports Sociology and Sports Management from the University of Leicester (UK). He is a full time professor at the VUB and was dean of the faculty of Physical Education. From October 2008 on he is elected as the rector magnificus of the VUB. He was chairman of the board of BLOSO (Flemish sportsadministrative body) (from 1999 until 2006), chairman of the RAGO (Council of the Community Education of Flanders) since 2002, and deputy chief of cabinet to the Flemish minister of Sport since 2004. Furthermore, he is co-ordinator of a “Top Level Sport and Studies” program at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel and project manager of two sport centres.

Klaus Rudischhauser

Klaus Rudischhauser joined the European Commission in 1989 and took up duty in the Directorate-General Environment. Since March 2007, Klaus Rudischhauser was Director at the Directorate-General Development and Relations with ACP Countries, later the DG Development and Cooperation – EuropeAid. His responsibilities included amongst others: Quality of aid; Evaluation; Inter-institutional relations; Information and Communication. As of 1 August 2012 Mr Rudischhauser is Deputy Director General at DG Development and Cooperation – EuropeAid and oversees directorates EU development policy, Sustainable Growth and Development, Human and Society Development and three units dealing with respectively Communication and transparency, Institutional relations, Quality and results.



Tove Wang

Tove R. Wang is the CEO of Save the Children Norway. She was from 2005 to 2010 the Chair of Save the Children’s global campaign Rewrite the Future providing education for children in conflict affected fragile states. She is presently the Chair of Save the Children International’s Global Education Initiative. Tove R. Wang has broad experience within leadership, organisational development, strategic planning, and child rights programming, including 10 years of field experience from working among other countries in Yemen, Sri Lanka and Zimbabwe. She has altogether 30 years of international development experience and holds a Master of Public Health degree from Johns Hopkins University.