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## TOWARDS THE NEXT EPOCH OF EDUCATION

### Abstract of Keynote Presentation

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### Towards Education for XXI Century and Its Challenges

The presentation examines contemporary challenges in education associated with globalization processes, mass migrations, new technologies and its consequences for human life, labour market and education, increasing inequality, pandemics, aging societies, ecological risks and – last but not least – increasing military and social conflicts, and radicalization. The aforementioned phenomena and processes put in question the previous paradigms of schooling, its contents and organization, bringing the questions about human values and dimension in education, the role of education in politics, re-organization of educational processes as well as educational priorities. The presentation however will not propose solutions for the arising problems. Instead, finally we are going to highlight two principal questions:

- Where do we, educators, go? and
- Does the Report of Delor's Commission „Education, there is the treasure within” still reflect the fundamental needs and pillars of education for XXI century?

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