Panel discussion, 15.15 – 16.00: Which competences are essential for a career in the private sector and in industry – expectation of the input from school science education

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What kind of competences teachers should emphasize in science education/are needed in labor market? (about 3 min answers)

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Some answers

Several frameworks for 21st century / transversal / generic competences

Organization	Terminology and connotations
and Year	(Competence /knowledge/skills/attitude/values for different purposes)
UNESCO (Universal	What learning is important for all children and youth for the
Learning) 2013	21 st century <i>for good life</i>
OECD Future of Education	knowledge, skills, attitudes and values, transformative
and Skills 2030 (Learning	competencies that learners need to fulfil their potential
Compass)	and contribute to the well-being of their communities and the
	<u>planet</u> .
	Practical and physical skills; cognitive and meta-cognitive skills,
	Social and emotional skills
EU (Lifelong learning, 8key	Competences (knowledge, skills, and attitudes) needed for
competences) 2006; 2018	personal fulfilment, active citizenship, social inclusion and
	<u>employment</u>

What competences should be emphasised in education according to OECD learning compass 2030 ?

Basic competences

Know-what (concepts, principles, processes) and know-how (inquiry, problem-solving, design solutions)

Social and emotional skills: empathy, self-efficacy, responsibility and collaboration Cognitive and meta-cognitive skills:

critical and creative thinking, learning-to-learn and self-regulation What are the challenges in science education related competences needed in labor market and aimed to introduce in science classes? (some examples) Percentage of students who expect to work in science-related professional and technical occupations when they are 30

Students' enjoyment of learning science according to PISA 2015

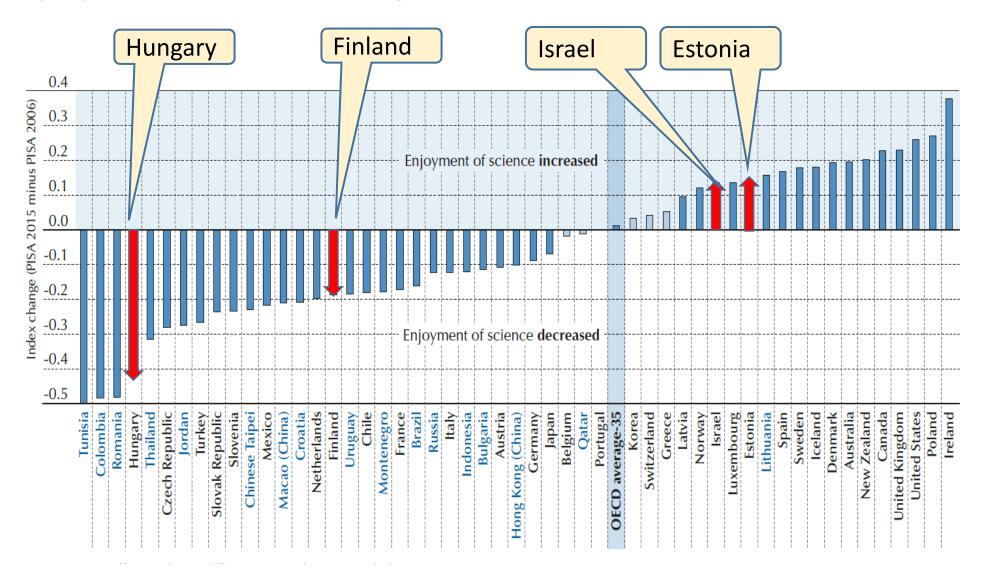
I enjoy acquiring new knowledge in science

I am happy working on science topics

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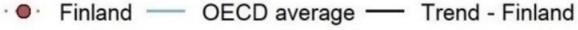
Percentage of students who "agree" or "strongly agree" with the statements

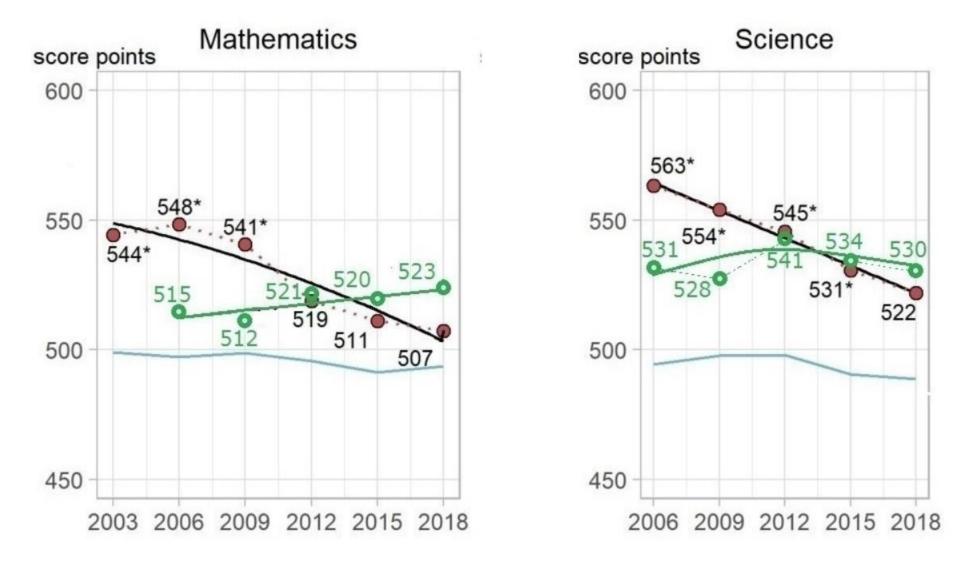
Change between PISA 2006 and 2015 in students' enjoyment of learning science



PISA 2018 Trends in performance in reading, mathematics and science

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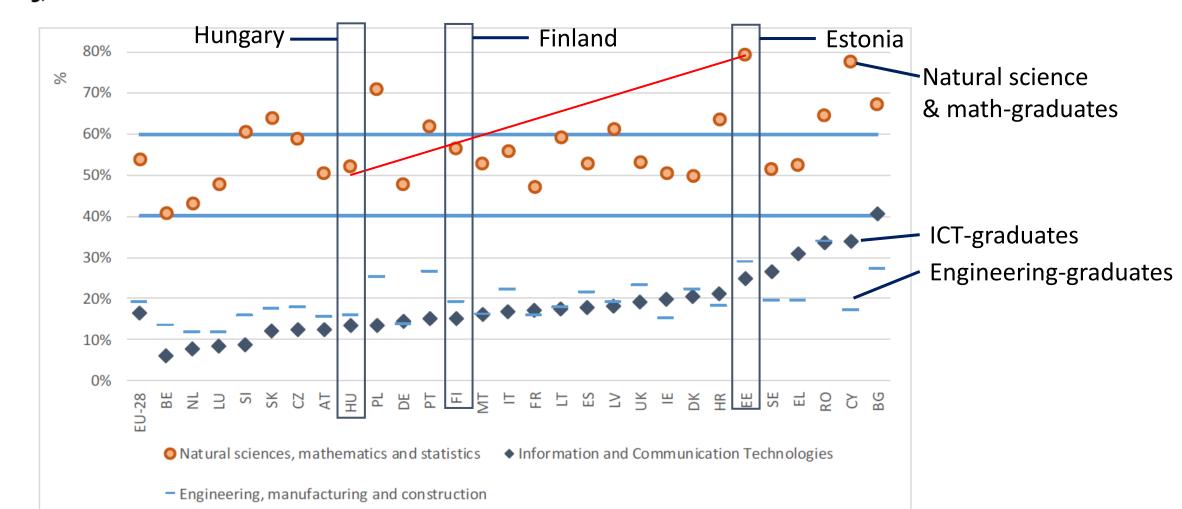
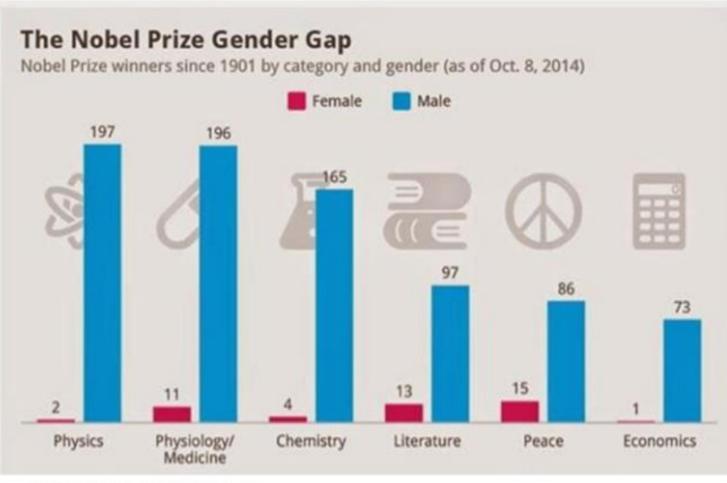


Figure 2. Proportion of women among STEM graduates, by field of education and country (%), (2013– 2015)



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Courtesy www.statista.com

How to overcome challenges? (you can take only one challenge and analyse it, about 3 min answers) Sociologically or psychologically oriented models? Which orientation we should have in our research (about 3 min answers)

Theory of Circumscription and Compromise is <u>a theory of career</u> <u>development</u> (Linda Gottfredson)

- Theory explains how <u>career aspiration depends</u> <u>on student's gender and social class</u>.
- <u>Occupational stereotypes</u> are picked from social surroundings; sex-type, <u>prestige level and field</u> <u>of work</u> are taken into account and these influence, which occupations are acceptable and which are not (importance <u>of self-concept</u>).
- <u>Ages 9-13 are characterized by sensitivity to</u> prestige and status.
- From the age of 14 onwards occupations that were regarded as acceptable in childhood are still valid according to <u>social attributes such as</u> <u>gender, social class, and intelligence,</u>

According to international ROSE (Schreiner & Sjøberg, 2005) and SAS surveys (Sjøberg, 2000)

- the social position of scientists and engineers has weakened in developed countries
- their <u>lifestyle appears unattractive to students</u>: working hard and alone in a laboratory.
- Science and technology occupations are perceived as being of <u>too low in status in</u> <u>relation to the workload</u>.
- scientists and engineers are <u>no longer such</u> strong symbols of social and economical <u>progress</u> in developed countries as they were before or as they are in developing countries.
- students have <u>stereotypical views of science</u> and technology occupations.

