Education&Skills
Online Assessment

(in Slovenian Ocenjevanje spretnosti, spletni vprašalnik (SVOS))

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Content





E&S Online



assessment (E&S Online) is a joint OECD and European Commission iniciative.

It was created after 2013 following the first publication of PIAAC results.

E&S Online: a reliable and standardized instrument



It is based on methodology and population estimates of PIAAC research results, therefore it can only be carried out in countries that have already carried out the PIAAC research.

Instrument provides immediate, valid and reliable results of basic individual's skills needed at work and in private life. Comparable to national and international results.

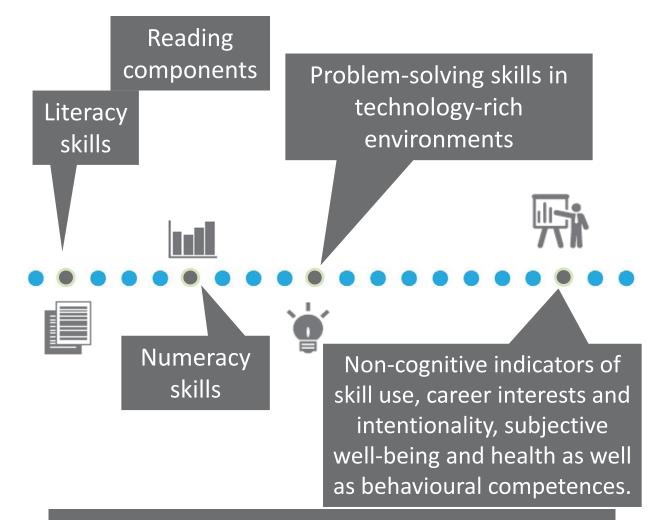
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The instrument provides added value to PIAAC's investment in population testing, as it enables the identification of specific needs of the individual and the long-term planning of the education and development of an individual's career.

The skills assessed





Short questionnaire on the social background featuring demographic characteristics, social and language background, education and employment status

Example: Literacy skills



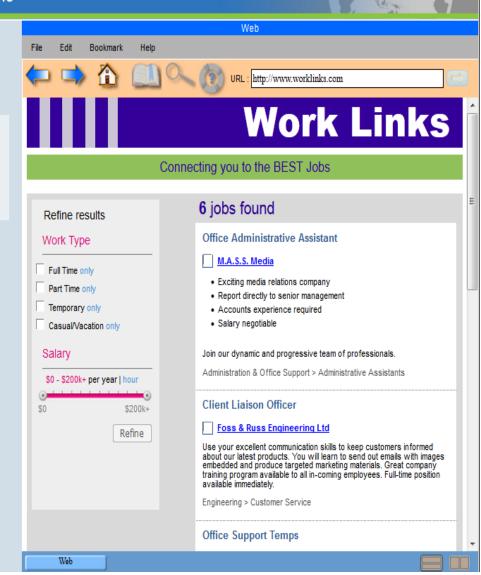
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Unit 1 - Question 1/1

Look at M.A.S.S. Media's "Office Administrative Assistant" webpage. Click a link on this page to answer the question below.

Kerry is interested in working for M.A.S.S. Media, but the office administrative assistant job is not suitable for her.

Where could Kerry find out what other positions are available at M.A.S.S. Media?









Example: Numeracy skills



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Unit 1 - Question 1/1

Look at the information about workplace injuries at Beauchamp Manufacturing. Click on the graph to answer the question below.

The factory manager checked this graph that had been prepared using the data in the table for 2011. He noticed that two bars were incorrect.

Click on the two incorrect bars on the graph.

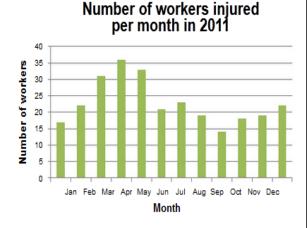
BEAUCHAMP MANUFACTURING

Number of workers injured Month 2010 2011 Jan 20 17 22 Feb 31 Mar 34 36 Apr 30 33 May 23 Jun Jul 21 25 19 Aug Sep 19 14 23 Oct 18 Nov 22 19 Dec 19 22

300

273

TOTAL:



The Beauchamp Manufacturing company records its workplace accidents each year. The table above shows the number of workers injured during each month for 2010 and 2011.







Example: Problemsolving skills in TRE



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Unit 6

You ordered a desk lamp from KE-Lamps.com.

The desk lamp arrived, but it was not the color you ordered.

Using the company's website, arrange to exchange the lamp you received for the one you ordered.

Once you have finished, click Next to go on.





Bookmark





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Why E&S Online in Slovenia?



Concerning the state of (basic) skills of the active population in Slovenia



SI has a large proportion of adult with low levels of skills

Low level of skills= less than 2nd level of literacy and numeracy skills in PIAAC

OECD 26%

Low skilled adults in Slovenia: 33% = 400,000 people

- > 250,000 will have to compete in the labor market for at least another 10 years;
- > 140,000 at least another 20 years

Source: OECD Skills Strategy Diagnostic report, 2017 v Možina, 2017



Why E&S Online in Slovenia?



Analysis of some of the characteristics of work and development of competences

Slovenes among all countries use ICT very often (2nd place), but we spend a very little time solving complex problems (26th place).



A lot of attention is devoted to situational learning (6th place), but it is characterized by low autonomy of work design (23rd place) and low possibility of choosing working time (among the lowest educated 29th place).

Those with lower education spend very little time reading at work(29th place).

Povzeto po tematski študiji: Pavlin, S et al. 2016: Analiza značilnosti dela in razvoja kompetenc, Fakulteta za družbene vede, PIAAC SLO.

About the project E&S Online in Slovenia?



The Ministry of Education, Science
and Sport has provided support to the
implementation of the
E& Online project within the scope of
the multi-annual development project
entitled

Development of Basic Competences 2016–2022 carried out by the SIAE.

SIAE in cooperation with OECD, ETS, cApStAn.

About the project E&S Online in Slovenia?



Project tasks (translations, coordination, testing of the demo version, field test, evaluation...)

Field test

(may-july 2017)

1200 test takers form 16 to 65 years old



With the support of the Ministry



More then 33 institutions with their partners from all over Slovenia

By adjusting and field testing, we obtained a standardized and internationally valid instrument.

E&S Online as a tool for individuals' development and career planning



An effective tool for many institutions and services involved in the development of human resources.

It provides results of individual skills that are comparable to national and international indicators.

Diagnostic tool for quality and efficient planning and implementation of evaluation of previously acquired knowledge, counseling, education and training, and employment.

The main benefits and potential users foreseen



Employment services – for the assessment of the skills and educational needs of the unemployed.

Employers – for the assessment of the needs for employee training.

Educational institutions that carry out adult literacy programmes and wish to acquire data on the deficits in the skills of adult participants and evaluate the benefits of education with respect to national and international indicators.

Other educational institutions such as universities, secondary schools and training centres that can use the E&S Online assessment as a diagnostic tool for the determination of deficits in the skills of pupils and students during their education.

The main benefits and potential users foreseen



Government
services that require
data on the educational
needs of target
(vulnerable) groups.

Education and training providers wishing to evaluate the effects of training or use the tool for diagnostic purposes prior to engaging in training.

Public or private companies that can use test results to determine deficits in the skills of employees as well as their educational needs.

Researchers who wish to perform analyses for individual selected smaller target groups and compare the data with national or international data.

Adults of different ages who wish to reenrol in education and training or test their qualifications for work or simply see to what extent their abilities have changed and training.

How is the assessment going?



Assessment takes place only in computerized format. It can be done on a computer that has Internet access and meets system requirements.

Modularly assembled.

Immediate descriptive report with results.

Who can take the assessment?



Assessment E&S Online is suitable for adults of all ages.

Only organizations can purchase authorisation numbers.

Currently is available in the following language versions: Czech, English, French, Italian, Japanese and Spanish → 2018: Russian, Estonian, Slovak, Slovenian

Advantages and opportunities



- The instrument is a synthesis of several aspects, so the results can be considered holistically, so the effects are longer and deeper.
- Results are available immediately in descriptive form. They are standardized and comparable with national and international PIAAC results.
- Research institutions can obtain data for further analyzes and comparisons with national or international data, which is very important for AE planning, as national skills research is carried out only on longer periods of time.



Advantages and opportunities



- It is an effective tool for many institutions and services practically in all sectors and industries, as it provides an instant insight into the quality of human resources, and thus makes more meaningful investments in human resources.
- Systematic planning of the individuals career to remain active in the labor market and maintain employment.
- By analyzing the skills of (vulnerable) target groups, it
 would be possible to achieve a better match between
 the existing basic skills and the current and future
 needs of the labor market. For this purpose, SVOS
 databases can be linked to other available data for
 forecasting skills needeed. With this work, SVOS is also
 a tool to support policy makers for
 data-based decision-making.

Possible weaknesses and hazards



- Use only through a computer.
- It is possible that adults from individual groups will not be able to fully understand and use the diagnostic report.
- The results can be misused for partial purposes, if national guidelines for data security and care for educational ethics are not set up.
- The risk may be that adults from vulnerable groups will
 not want to take the assessment, for the same reason
 they refuse to participate in education and training.
- The results can be used for short-term action that will not give the expected results in skills development, raising the level of education and improving the position of the individual in the labor market, as we believe that the potential of the instrument can be fully exploited if expert guidance or educational or career planning is provided.





The work with the instrument will continue with the new development project.











Ministry has enabled the national implementation of the instrument by 2022.

SIEA is establishing a National point 'Adult Skills' - will support the implementation (organizational, analytical, research and professional development and education).

Co-operation with various stakeholders (Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Slovenia; 'Skills lab'; training of advisors for education and career development for the use of the instrument).

Thank you for your attention!

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