



## PROGRAMME

**21<sup>ST</sup> MEETING OF THE COMCEC POVERTY ALLEVIATION WORKING GROUP**  
(October 9-10, 2023, CP Ankara Hotel, Ankara, Türkiye)

*“Effective Vocational Education and Training Strategies to Reduce Youth Unemployment  
in the OIC Member Countries”*

### October 9th, 2023

- 08.30 - 09.00** Registration
- 09.00 - 09.05** Recitation from Holy Qur’an
- 09.05 - 09.15** Opening Remarks
- 09.15 - 09.35** Outlook of Poverty in the OIC Member Countries  
- Presentation : Dr. Belgi TURAN  
Consultant, COMCEC Coordination Office
- 09.35 - 09.45** Discussion
- 09.45 - 10.25** Presentation of the Draft Research Report  
- Presentation : Prof. Bekir GÜR  
Consultant, Hacettepe University
- 10.25 - 10.55** Discussion
- 10.55 - 11.10** Coffee Break
- 11.10 - 11.50** Lessons Learnt from the Selected Case Studies and the Policy Options  
- Presentation : Prof. Zafer ÇELİK  
Consultant, Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University
- 11.50 - 12.20** Discussion
- 12.20 - 14.00** Lunch
- 14.00 - 15.00** Experiences/Perspectives of the Member States  
- Indonesia  
- The Gambia  
- Türkiye  
Discussion
- 15.00 - 15.15** Coffee Break
- 15.15 - 15.45** Experiences/Perspectives of International Institutions  
- Presentation : ICYF  
- Presentation: SESRIC  
Discussion
- 15.45 - 16.30** Utilizing the COMCEC Project Support Programs  
- Presentation by COMCEC Coordination Office  
Discussion

## October 10th, 2023

**09.30 - 11.45**    **Policy Debate Session: Formulation of Policy Recommendations for the 39th COMCEC Ministerial Session on Improving Vocational Education and Reducing Youth Unemployment in the OIC Member Countries**

*A policy debate session was held to come up with a set of policy recommendations to address youth unemployment through vocational education programs in the Member Countries.*

*Discussion*

**11.45 - 12.00**    **Closing Remarks and Family Photo**

**12.00 - 14.00**    **Lunch**

**14.00 - 17.00**    **Site Visit**