

The International Network for Innovative Apprenticeship and Urban Institute  
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**May 26, 2021, 8 AM-10 AM, US Eastern Time**

## **The State of Apprenticeship During the Covid-19 Pandemic: Reports from Seven Countries**

### **Welcome and Overview of the Program**

8:00-8:05 Robert I. Lerman, Zhiqun Zhao, Erica Smith

### **Apprenticeships Trends in the Asia Pacific**

8:05-8:17 Australia's Covid-Related Large-Scale Funding to Expand Apprenticeships  
Erica Smith, Federation University Australia

8:18-8:29 Apprenticeship in China: Short-Run Responses and Long-term Trends  
Zhiqun Zhao and Si Li, Beijing Normal University

### **Apprenticeships Trends in the US and UK**

8:30-8:42 Scaling US Apprenticeships and Incremental Reforms  
Robert I. Lerman, Urban Institute

8:43-8:55 Structural Reforms in Financing and Standards in the UK  
Tom Bewick, Federation of Awarding Bodies

8:56-9:10 Comments, Questions  
Daniel Kuehn, Urban Institute

### **Apprenticeship Trends in Continental Europe and Canada**

9:11-9:22 Apprenticeship Resilience in Switzerland  
Phillipp Gonon, University of Zurich

9:23-9:33 Apprenticeship Developments in Germany  
Thomas Deissinger, University of Konstanz

9:34-9:45 The State of Canadian Apprenticeship: Decentralization or National Direction?  
Bonnie Watt, University of Alberta

9:46-9:58 Comments, Questions  
Felix Rauner or Samuel Muhlemann (tbc)

9:59-10:00 Concluding Comments, Robert Lerman