

President's Summit at the WACE 21st World Conference

Overview of the Day

At the upcoming 21st WACE World Conference in Cincinnati Aug.5-7, 2019, WACE and the President of the University of Cincinnati, Dr. Neville Pinto, are co-hosting a very special "by invitation only" gathering of senior Executives/Ministers from Work Integrated Learning (WIL) focused educational institutions and organizations, government ministries, and business and industry partners from around the world. These global WIL leaders will discuss challenges and opportunities relating to access for all to relevant education and effective preparation for the workforce of the future.

The Summit will culminate in the signing of a global Charter (to be known as the Cincinnati Charter) that represents a commitment by these WIL world leaders to endorse international Work Integrated Learning as a key strategy to effectively prepare the next generation of graduates/workers for productive and rewarding employment locally, nationally and globally.

The Summit will begin at 8:30am when participants will join with over 500 other international delegates for the Opening of the WACE World Conference at the University of Cincinnati. They will then move venues to UC's brand new 1819 Innovation Center where they will confer, attend a joint luncheon with senior employer representatives, and finish the afternoon with the Charter signing. Summit delegates will also be invited to attend the World Conference Welcome Reception later that afternoon.

All Summit participants will also have the opportunity for themselves or a designate to participate in drafting the final Charter specific calls to action through a modified Delphi process that will begin in the new year. Participants will be invited to contribute through an online process that will result in the draft of the Charter that will then be finalized at the Summit. The Cincinnati Charter is the first of its kind to bring the educational, business, industrial, not for profit and governmental sectors together through an international commitment to the model of Work Integrated Learning in an effort to ensure access for all to effective preparation for productive and fulfilling work in an increasingly borderless world.

More information regarding the Charter please click on the Charter tab.