PISA 2015

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Estonian basic education is the best in Europe

- Teachers in Estonia and the Estonian school are doing very good job
- 9 years and 4 PISA tests show stably good results
- Estonian basic education is at the top in Europe and among the best of the world
Estonian education is at the top of Europe
The results have improved

- There are more top performers and less low performers
- Reading performance of boys has improved
- Differences between boys and girls have decreased
Areas for development

- The results of the boys have improved, but they are still weaker
- Teaching profession is not attractive
- The results of the schools with Russian as language of instruction are average across the OECD countries, but weaker from the results of the Estonian language schools
Reasons for good results

- Equality and comprehensive school
- Professional teachers
- Effective management of the learning process
- Support for weaker students and attention to special educational needs
- Education is valued in the society
To stay at the top we need to keep on working

- To value teachers in
  - rising teachers’ salaries
  - improving the imago of the teaching profession
- To use the resources wisely
- To enable more support services
Thank you!

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