

## Reform beyond the crisis (Making Reform Happen: Lessons from OECD Countries)

This chapter draws out some of the principal lessons that emerge from reform experiences in OECD countries. It seeks to identify both common patterns across policy domains and factors that appear to be specific to particular types of policy reform. The chapter begins with a consideration of the challenge of cross-country policy learning in an environment characterised by broadly similar reform challenges but widely differing reform contexts, a fundamental issue that confronts all the authors in this collection, as well as officials and policy makers in OECD countries who seek to learn from each other's experiences. The discussion then turns to some of the cross-cutting lessons for policy makers that nevertheless seem to be emerging from the "Making Reform Happen" work. The chapter goes on to deal with specific policy domains, highlighting some of the main points that emerge from the individual chapters in this book. A further section explores the meaning of these findings in light of the global economic and financial crisis and looks at the challenge of reform after the crisis. The final set of issues addressed concerns the implications of these findings for the work of the OECD.

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