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The transformation of the Saudi Arabian economy is one of the success stories of the past few decades. The path of its development has been a particularly unique one, which requires rigorous analysis to understand the current situation and the way forward to continue its prosperity. In this context, the Ministry of Labor has a goal to enhance the skills of the Saudi workforce, especially for the youth. Indeed, the principal mechanism by which Saudi Arabia seeks to specifically address its challenge of youth unemployment. A particular focus has been driving greater job readiness for the private sector, where the majority of workers are currently foreign workers. For youth there are key skill development programs, namely Career Education, On the Job training and Colleges of Excellence, whilst there are also courses targeted at wider participation. This plan introduces the current successes and challenges of Employment in Saudi Arabia.

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