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14	New ADCS officers The new president of ADCS is Charlotte Ramsden OBE, Strategic Director for People, Salford City Council. The new Vice President of ADCS is Steve Crocker OBE, Director of Children’s Services for Hampshire County Council and Isle of Wight Council.	24	OECD and EI The OECD and EI today launch their report, <i>Effective and Equitable Educational Recovery: 10 Principles</i> .
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