World Education Indicators (WEI) – Asia Workshop
*Improving Quality of Education data and indicators for WEI countries in Asia*

25 - 28 October 2010

Pullman Hotel
Putrajaya, Malaysia

Provisional Agenda
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Hosted by the Educational Planning and Research Division (EPRD) of the Malaysian Ministry of Education and organized by UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)

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Day 1 - Monday, 25 October 2010

9:00 – 17:00 Bilateral meetings

UIS staff will hold bilateral meetings with individual countries to review the results of WEI Surveys 2009 and 2010 and further discuss on the improvement on quality and coverage of reported data. The objectives of these bilateral meetings are to:
  • Review and update ISCED mapping of educational programmes
  • Review previous data submissions and indicators for all questionnaires
  • Review data gaps
  • Discuss issues, challenges on how to improve data quality

A schedule of the meeting times for each country will be sent one week prior to the workshop. Other bilateral session could be organized if necessary.

Day 2 - Tuesday, 26 October 2010

9:00 – 9:15 Welcome Remarks
Dr. Haji Zahri Aziz, Director, Educational Planning and Research Division, Malaysia National Commission for UNESCO / Ministry of Education, Malaysia

9:15 – 9:30 Opening Remarks
Mr Said Voffal, UIS

9:30 – 10:00 Introductory Session
  • Introduction of participants
  • Review objectives of the workshop
  • Adoption of agenda

10:00 – 10:30 Coffee/Tea break

10:30 – 11:00 Review of WEI programme
Mr Saïd Ould Voffal, UIS

11:00 – 11:30 Current status of WEI data collection
Ms Tin Nam Ho
  • WEI regular data reporting
  • Response rates
  • Timeliness
  • Addressing data issues

11:30 – 12:30 UIS data dissemination and outputs
Mr Saïd Ould Voffal, UIS

- UIS data dissemination annual timeline
- Main findings of UIS Global Education Digest (GED) 2010 on Gender
  - UIS Data Centre

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:00 Use of UNPD population data in education indicators calculation
Mr Saïd Ould Voffal, UIS

15:00 – 16:00 Issues in ISCED 97 mapping of national education programmes
Ms Hélène Tran, UIS

16:00 – 16:30 Coffee/Tea break

16:30 – 17:30 ISCED 97 and the 2011 revision
Mr Saïd Ould Voffal, UIS

- Overview of the global consultation about the 2011 revision
- Changes from ISCED 97 to ISCED 2011

19:30 Dinner hosted by UIS at ‘The Deli’ at Pullman Hotel

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Day 3 - Wednesday, 27 October 2010

9:00 – 10:00 Overview of WEI questionnaires and common data issues in Asia
Ms Tin Nam Ho and Ms Hélène Tran, UIS

10:00 – 10:30 Coffee/Tea break

10:30 – 12:30 Educational finance: Revisiting concepts and definitions WEI tables
Mr Saïd Ould Voffal, UIS

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 14:30 Educational finance indicators
Mr Saïd Ould Voffal, UIS

14:30 – 15:30 Round table discussion on the educational finance statistics in Asia region: strength, weakness and challenges

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee/Tea break

16:00 – 16:30 Educational finance: National EMIS experience - country to be determined Malaysia
Ms Norliah Abdul Aziz, Educational Planning and Research Division, Ministry of Education, Malaysia

16:30 – 17:30 Education finance benchmarking in the context of World Bank overall benchmarking program in Asia. Mr. Robin Horn, World Bank
Day 4 - Thursday, 28 October 2010

9:00 – 10:00  Tertiary Education statistics (ISCED 5 and 6): concepts and definitions  
Ms Hélène Tran, UIS

10:00 – 11:00  Benchmarking higher education development in Asia. Key higher education indicators: calculation and interpretations.  
Ms Hélène Tran, UIS

11:00 – 11:30  Coffee/Tea break

Mr Saïd Ould Voffal, UIS

12:30 – 13:30  Lunch

13:30 – 14:30  Round table discussion on the development of higher education statistics in Asia region: strength, weakness and challenges. Improving the quality and coverage of tertiary education data, coordination with other ministries/ University Grants Commission. Looking forward to collecting additional data on secondary and tertiary educations in Asia

Mr Shailendra Sigdel or Mr Nyi Nyi Thaung, UIS

15:30 – 16:00  Coffee/Tea break

16:00 – 17:00  Presentation of UIS regional strategy in Asia  
Mr Shailendra Sigdel and Nyi Nyi Thaung, UIS

17:00 – 17:30  Discussion and wrap up of outcomes

17:30 – 18:00  Closing session