

UNESCO Publications Board

Meeting Minutes

Meeting date: 30 October 2013 Meeting time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Room 4.021, UNESCO Headquarters, Paris

Call to order

The Secretary, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and welcomed those members and observers present.

Attendees

An attendance sheet was circulated for signatures. The following people were present:

Chair

Mr Eric Falt, Assistant Director-General, ERI

Members

Mr David Atchoarena, Director/ED/THE

Mr Indrajit Banerjee, Director, CI/KSD

Mr Han Qunli, Director/SC/EES

Ms Angela Melo, Director, SHS/HPD

Ms Jennifer Pearson, Director, MSS/CLD

Ms Mechtild Rossler, Deputy Director, CLT/WHC

Mr Axel Plathe, Head of Kathmandu Office & UNESCO Rep. to Nepal, Member for Field Offices [attending via teleconference]

Ex officio Members

Mr Cvetan Cvetkovski, ODG/GE [rep. Ms S. G. Corat, Dir. ODG/GE]

Ms Vida Habash, AFR/EO Ms Ranwa Safadi, BSP/PB

Secretary

Mr Ian Denison, Chief, Publications Unit, ERI/DPI

Observers

Ms Mimouna Abderrahmane, Publications Officer, SHS

Mr Denis Besnainou, SHS/SIY

Ms Lidia Brito, Director, SC/PCB

Ms Jinchai Clarke, ERI/DPI/PBM

Ms Sylvie Coudray, CI/FEM

Ms Natalia Denissova, Publications Officer, CI

Mr Neil Ford, Director, ERI/DPI

Ms Irmgarda Kasinskaite-Buddeberg, CI/KSD/UAP

Mr Ali Moussa Iye, CLT/DDD/HMD

Mr Bhanu Neupane, CI/KSD/ICT

Ms Cristina Puerta, ERI/DPI/PBM

Ms Natalia Tolochko, Assistant Publications Officer, SC

Ms Vesna Vujicic-Lugassy, Publications Officer, CLT

Mr Mohamed Ziadah, CLT/DDD/HMD

Minutes Secretary

Ms Isabelle Nonain-Semelin, ERI/DPI/PBM

I. Item 1. Approval of minutes

The Board approved the minutes of the 25 September meeting taking into account the minor changes requested by ED and CLT.

II. Item 2. Policy Discussion:

The Secretary wanted to inform of outstanding issues:

1)- Strategizing publications for impact

The Secretary explained that since this policy paper had been presented to the Publications Board during the 3 July meeting, the working group which has been set up, as well as Publications Officers, met several times. The latest meeting took place two weeks before the meeting of the Board to have a practical exercise. The outcome of this meeting is that there are still issues which need to be solved regarding the new categories, in particular the category of publications which will not get ISBNs.

The Secretary will have to draft a new paper with a view to implementing the new categories for the beginning the next biennium. The new draft will be circulated to have a discussion during the next meeting of the Board.

More specifically, the sectors will have to see how they will continue to exercise quality control, especially considering that there will be one category of publications which will not get ISBNs.

2)- Publications plan

There will be a new Publications Plan for the next biennium. The Publications Unit will prepare a new template which will be sent out as soon as possible.

3)- Evaluation of the Publications Board's membership

The Bangkok Office raised the issue of the membership of the Board. Indeed, from the terms of reference of the Publications Board, the membership is decided for two years. Now the Bangkok Office would like to become a member of the Board. The Secretary indicated that they could be considered as candidates, among others. This will also be discussed during the next meeting of the Board or in December.

III. <u>Item 3.</u> Review of publications proposals

Twenty proposals were presented to the Board. The Board approved 10 proposals (among which one series together with its first publication for SC), including one resubmission. One resubmission was withdrawn. Two proposals were returned for reconsideration, review and resubmission. Two proposals were not approved as they required further discussion.

Given the length of the discussions and the number of proposals submitted, the review of the remaining five proposals was postponed to the next meeting of the Board.

IV. Item 4. A.O.B.

The next meeting of the Publications Board will be held on a date to be confirmed.

V. Adjournment

In consideration of the length of the discussions which took place during the meeting, as well as of the attendees' agendas, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 1.15 pm after consulting the Members (and observers) present.

Minutes submitted by Isabelle Nonain-Semelin, ERI/DPI/PBM

Annex 1 – Agenda

- 1. Approval of the minutes of the 25 September 2013 Publications Board meeting
- 2. Policy discussion
- 3. Review of publication proposals
- 4. A.O.B.
- 5. Adjournment

Annex 2 - Overview of proposals reviewed

The proposals are listed below in the order in which they were actually reviewed.

	Proposal No.	Series	Title	Decision	Estimated media impact
1.	1013_ED01		(Resubmission) Adolescents HIV Prevention and Treatment Toolkit	Approved	7
2.	1013_SC01	History of Water and Civilization	(Resubmission) Water History and Humanity	Withdrawn	-
3.	1013_ED02		Gender, Jobs and Education: Prospects and Realities in Asia- Pacific	Approved	6
4.	1013_CI01		A Journey through Digital Society: 25 innovations that are changing our lives / Voyage dans la société numérique : 25 innovations qui changent notre vie	Approved	6,5
5.	1013_ED03		Education for Sustainable Development in the Caribbean. An assessment report of progress made in ESD	Approved	2
6.	1013_CLT01	Work on the Different Aspects of Islamic Culture	Volume I, The Foundations of Islam	No decision	
7.	1013_ED04		Estado de situación de los Sistemas de Información (SINFO) de la Educación Técnica y Formación Profesional (ETFP) en 12 países de América Latina y el Caribe / Status Report on the EducationManagement Information Systems (EMIS) of Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) in 12 countries in Latin America and the Caribbean	Approved	3

8.	1013_CI02	Series of assessments of national media landscapes based on UNESCO's Media Development Indicators (MDIs)	Assessment of Media Development in Palestine - based on UNESCO's Media Development Indicators	No decision
9.	1013_SC02		Local & indigenous knowledge for community resilience: Actions to reduce hydrometeorological disaster risk and to promote climate change adaptation in coastal and small island communities in Asia	Approved 6
10.	1013_ED05		The Child as Global Citizen: a Pedagogy to Empower Children & Youth	Revise and resubmit
11.	1013_Cl03	(It is the third report; the first and second reports were published in 2011 and 2012)	EURid-UNESCO World Report on Internationalised Domain Names Deployment 2013	Approved 6
12.	1013_ED06	Série Javari: educação preventiva para DST/HIV/Aids e hepeatites virais para povos indígenas do Vale do Javari, volume 4	Falando sobre prevenção às DST/Aids e hepatites virais: Kanamari / Tsotohoki diyok-nim to amkira tokodowik nhama adik diyok-nim namamtü nhama adik, apoknim tom tsokatü wahümam tüküna anim AIDS e ipatsitsi am haih-ki wadik anim: Tüküna	Approved 4
13.	1013_SHS01		Assessing public policies for social inclusion: methodological lessons from nine country studies	Revise and resubmit
14.	1013_CI04		Model Policy for Inclusive ICTs in Education	Approved 4
15.	1013_ED07		Learning to Live Together through Education in the Asia-Pacific Region	Postponed to next meeting
16a	1013_SC03	Series on country profiles	Country Profiles in Science, Engineering, Technology and Innovation Policy	Approved
16b	1013_SC03		Republic of Botswana Science, Engineering, Technology and Innovation (SETI) Country Profile	Approved
17.	1013_ED08		Compendium on Disaster Risk Reduction, composed of 3 booklets and a DVD	Postponed to next meeting

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		"Building Resilience (title) – A	
		Handbook on Disaster	
		Preparedness and Response for	
		Teachers (subtitle)"	
		"Building Resilience (title) – A	
		Handbook on Disaster	
		Preparedness and Response for	
		Students (subtitle)"	
		"Building Resilience (title) – A	
		Handbook on Disaster	
		Preparedness and Response for	
		Parents (subtitle)"	
18.	1013_ERI01	UNESCO Annual Report 2013	Postponed to
			next meeting
19.	1013_CI05	SciELO: 15 Years of Open Access	Postponed to
			next meeting
		(An analytic study on Open Access	
		and scholarly communication)	
20.	1013_ED09	"Teaching Respect for All" Toolkit	Postponed to
			next meeting