



**Regional Parliamentary Conference for
Education in the Asia and the Pacific
Establishment of the Forum of Asia Pacific
Parliamentarians for Education (FASPPED)**
24-25 October 2008, Jakarta, Indonesia
Sultan Hotel (Asian Room 6-7)

• **FINAL AGENDA** •

Thursday, 23 October 2008

Arrival and registration of participants

19h: Dinner offered by UNESCO's External Relations and Cooperation (Asian Room 6-7, The Sultan Hotel)

Friday, 24 October 2008

8h30 – 9h00 Registration of Participants

9h00 – 10h00 • Inauguration (Golden Ballroom, The Sultan Hotel)

Speakers:

- Dr Arief Rachman**, Executive Chairman of the Indonesian National Commission for UNESCO
Mr Ahmed Sayyad, UNESCO Assistant Director-General for External Relations and Cooperation
Representative of the Director-General of UNESCO
Dr Agung Laksono, Speaker, Indonesia's House of Representatives

Participant:

Mr Nicholas Burnett, UNESCO Assistant Director-General for Education

10h20 – 10h30 • Setting up of the Bureau

President
Vice-President
Rapporteur

10h00 – 10h20 • Press Conference

Dr Agung Laksono
Dr Arief Rachman (Moderator)
Mr Ahmed Sayyad
Mr Nicholas Burnett

10h30 – 12h00 • Working Session 1

Co-chaired by **H.E. Mr Makarim Wibisono** (Indonesia), the President of the Bureau and **Mr Nicholas Burnett**, UNESCO Assistant Director-General for Education

“An introduction to EFA”

Presented by **Mr Nicholas Burnett**, UNESCO's Assistant Director-General for Education

- The Dakar 2000 Framework for Action and the road travelled since.
- Relevance of EFA goals in view of the global challenges of the day
- Implementing EFA: Issues and Challenges for legislators
- Respective roles of UNESCO and of parliamentarians in promoting and implementing EFA

“EFA Progress and Challenges in the Asia Pacific region”

Presented by **Mr Sheldon Shaeffer**, Director, UNESCO Bangkok Office, Regional Bureau for Education in the Asia and the Pacific

- EFA status and trends in the Asia Pacific region
- UNESCO’s regional and country level strategies

Questions and Comments

“The World Bank and EFA: Education for competitiveness and growth”

Presentation by **Ms. Mae Chu Chang**, World Bank, Lead Education Specialist

“UNDP and EFA: Integrating basic education in national developing strategies and poverty reduction strategy”

Presentation by **Ms. Diana Alarcon**, UNDP, Cluster Leader, Inclusive Development for Poverty Reduction, Poverty Practice

“UNICEF and EFA: Education for children in emergency and post conflict contexts”

Presentation by **Dr Cream Wright**, UNICEF, Education Sector

Questions and Comments

12h00-14h00: *Lunch and Friday Prayer*

14h00 – 15h30 • Working Session 2

Co-chaired by **Dr Arief Rachman**, Representative of the President of the Bureau and **Mr Sheldon Shaeffer**, Director, UNESCO Bangkok Office, Regional Bureau for Education in the Asia and the Pacific

Welcome speech by **Professor Bambang Sudibyo**, Minister of Education of Indonesia and Chairman of the Indonesian National Commission for UNESCO.

“Lifelong Learning: Non-Formal Education in Indonesia”

Presented by **Dr. Hamid Mohammed**, Director-General, Directorate of Non-Formal and Informal Education, Indonesian Ministry of National Education

- The EFA agenda calls for a comprehensive approach to learning in which non-formal education is an essential and integrated part. Non-formal education is now playing a major role in facing the challenges of equipping youth with proper life skills.

“Literacy as Freedom: United Nations Literacy Decade (UNLD),”

Presented by **Ms Maki Hayashikawa**, Programme Specialist in Gender and Quality Basic Education, UNESCO Bangkok Office, Regional Bureau for Education in the Asia and the Pacific

- UNESCO is the lead agency for the UNLD, 2003-2012. The UNLD emphasizes the goal of literacy for all people of all ages, in all regions of the world, in rural and urban areas, in school and out-of-school, within families, communities and the work place.

“Gender Equality in Education”

Presented by **Ms Maki Hayashikawa**, Programme Specialist in Gender and Quality Basic Education, UNESCO Bangkok Office, Regional Bureau for Education in the Asia and the Pacific

- The 2008 EFA Global Monitoring Report shows that the goal of eliminating gender disparities in both primary and secondary education by 2005 has been missed in a great majority of countries. Women account for 64% of the 774 million adults worldwide who still lack basic literacy skills.
- Gender parity in access to schooling is the first step towards gender equality in education.

15h30 – 15h45: *Coffee Break*

15h45 – 17h00 • Working Session 3

Co-chaired by **Dr Arief Rachman**, Representative of the President of the Bureau and **Mr Hubert Gijzen**, Director, UNESCO Jakarta Office, Cluster and Regional Bureau for Sciences

“Inclusive Quality Education/Early Childhood Care and Education”

Presented by **Mr Sheldon Shaeffer**, Director, UNESCO Bangkok Office, Regional Bureau for Education in the Asia and the Pacific

- UNESCO addresses the education needs of street and working children, learners with disabilities, children of ethnic/linguistic minorities and other vulnerable group
- Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE)

“Capacity Building of Teachers: National Competency-Based Teacher Standards (NCBTS)”

Presented by **Mr Ramon C. Bacani**, Chairman of National EFA Committee, Philippines

- UNESCO mobilizes and assists Member States in designing and implementing viable national teacher policies concerning teacher education and training (pre-service academic programmes, in-service empowerment), recruitment and retention and issues of status and working conditions, and professionalization of the teaching profession Teacher Education was the focus of the E9 Conference which was held in March 08.

“Education for a Sustainable Future: UN Decade of ESD”

Presented by **Mr Derek Elias**, Chief, Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) Unit, UNESCO Bangkok Office, Regional Bureau for Education in the Asia and the Pacific

- The goal of the United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development (2005- 2014, DESD), for which UNESCO is the lead agency, is to integrate the principles, values, and practices of sustainable development into all aspects of education and learning.

Questions and Comments

18h: *Dinner offered by the Indonesian Ministry of National Education (Golden Ballroom, The Sultan Hotel)*

Saturday, 25 October 2008

9h00 – 11h30 • Working Session 4

Co-chaired by **Hon. Mr Chandra Prakash Mainali** (Nepal), Vice-President of the Bureau and **Mr Sheldon Shaeffer**, Director, UNESCO Bangkok Office, Regional Bureau for Education in the Asia and the Pacific

Presentations by participants

- Participants to share their countries' success stories, best practices, or trends in the field of Education: Primary education, Quality education, Adult literacy, Gender equality, ESD etc.

“EFA: Trends, Prospects, and Challenges in Pakistan”

Professor Ahsan Iqbal, Member National Assembly, former Minister of Education (Pakistan)

“Lifelong Education Policies and Initiatives of the Republic of Korea”

Mr Young Jin Kim, Member of the Korean National Commission for UNESCO and Member of the National Assembly (Republic of Korea)

“Education in Pakistan”

Ms Shakeela Khanam Rashid, Member of the National Parliament (Pakistan)

“Nepal’s success stories in Education”

Mr Binod Kumar Adhikari, Legislature-Parliament Secretariat (Nepal)

“Education in Islamic Republic of Iran”

Mr Mohammad Hassan Dogani Aghchehlou, Member to the Islamic Consultative Assembly (Iran)

“Education in Maldives”

Hon. Mr. Ahmed Zubair, Member of the Parliament (Maldives)

10h30 – 10h45: *Coffee Break*

“E-Learning Policy of the Republic of Korea”

Mr Sang-kee Suh, Member of the Korean National Commission for UNESCO and Member of the National Assembly (Republic of Korea)

“Education in the Philippines”

Hon Mr Mariano U. Piamonte Jr, Representative, House of Representatives (Philippines)

“Education in Samoa”

Mr Keneti Sio Solamelemalo, Member of the Parliament and Associate Minister of Education, Sports and Culture (Samoa)

11:30-12h30 • Working Session 5

Co-chaired by **Dr Arief Rachman**, Representative of the President of the Bureau and **Mr Ahmed Sayyad**, UNESCO Assistant Director-General for External Relations and Cooperation

Draft Statutes of FASPPED (FASPPED objectives)

Discussion and adoption

12h30 – 14h00: *Lunch*

14h00 – 15h00 • Working Session 6

Co-chaired by **H.E. Mr Makarim Wibisono** (Indonesia), the President of the Bureau and **Mr Derek Elias**, Programme Specialist, UNESCO Bangkok Office, Regional Bureau for Education in the Asia and the Pacific

Draft Jakarta Declaration (FASPPED action plan and strategy)

Discussion and adoption

15h00-15h15: *Coffee Break*

15h15 – 15h45 • Election of the FASPPED Executive Bureau members

President and 4 Vice-Presidents

15h45 – 16h30 • Closing Remarks

Speakers:

Mr Ahmed Sayyad, UNESCO Assistant Director-General for External Relations and Cooperation
H.E. Mr Makarim Wibisono (Indonesia), the President of the Bureau and Representative of the Indonesian Parliament

18h: *Visit to the Indonesian Parliament House*

19h: *Dinner offered by the Speaker of the Indonesian House of Representatives (Parliament House)*

ACRONYMS:

ECCE:	Early Childhood Care and Education
EFA:	Education for All
ESD:	Education for Sustainable Development
FASPPED:	Forum of Asia Pacific Parliamentarians for Education
UNDP:	United Nations Development Programme
UNESCO:	United Nations Educational, Scientific, Cultural Organization
UNICEF:	The United Nations Children's Fund
UNLD:	United Nations Literacy Decade