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34th General Conference Side Event - 3 Core EFA Initiatives

A UNAIDS Initiative led by UNESCO

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Towards A Comprehensive Education Sector Response

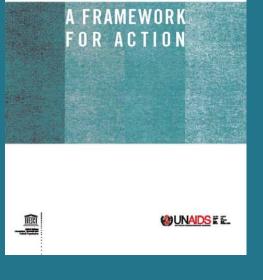
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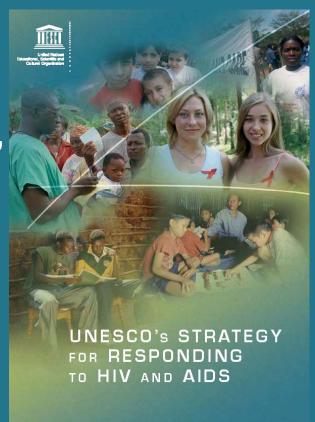


- One of 3 core EFA initiatives, as well as a UNAIDS initiative led by UNESCO
- Focused on developing comprehensive education sector responses to HIV and AIDS, planned and delivered in partnerships
- Used in planning, assessments and training
- Coordinated by Section on HIV and AIDS, Division for the Coordination of UN Priorities in Education, Education Sector



Policy guidance

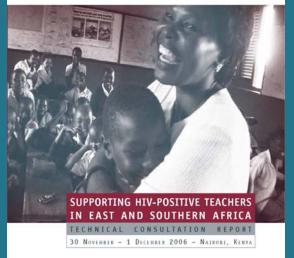
- Newly-revised UNESCO Strategy on HIV and AIDS
- Universal access to prevention, treatment, care and support
- Contributes to fulfilling UNESCO's mandate in UNAIDS division of labour
- Gives central role to EDUCAIDS





Knowledge-sharing: Norms and standards





Components of a comprehensive education sector response

- Quality education, including rightsbased and learner-centred
- Content, curricula and learning materials
- Educator training and support
- Policy, management and systems
- Approaches and entry points



Knowledge-sharing

Technical leadership

 Recent technical consultations on treatment education, HIV-positive teachers, schools as centres of care and support

Sharing of programming lessons

- Good Policy and Practice Series
- Recent capacity-building meetings and workshops
- 1-page Country Snapshots
- Renewed website, www.educaids.org





Capacity-building

In 2007

- 6 events involving 39 countries
- Focused on enabling UNESCO and partners to carry out role and mandate

In 2008

- EDUCAIDS implementation support tools 5 sets of Briefs (35 in total) and Overviews of Practical Resources
- Focus on using current and future human and financial resources to carry out UNESCO's roles, and to mobilise further resources



Capacity-building: Mobilising resources

- 4 new regional AIDS advisers (for all sectors)
- 2008-2009 UBW portfolio > US\$10M (for all sectors)
- Continued support from Japanese Fundsin-Trust (JFIT)



Partnerships and coordination

Internal coordination

 UN Priorities in Education such as ESD and literacy, Core EFA Initiatives, Sectors, Institutes, Regional Bureaux, Cluster and Country Offices

External partnerships UNAIDS Cosponsors UNAIDS Inter-Agency Task Team on Education



Implementation strategy

The EDUCAIDS Framework for Action enables

- ... the education sector to understand and organize its response to HIV and AIDS,
- ... development of policy and setting of norms and standards,
- ... planning, implementation and monitoring of partnership action,
- ... mobilisation of resources at regional and country levels.



South-South cooperation

Brazil and Lusophone Africa

- Capacity-building workshop in Mozambique, June 2007
- BREDA-organized follow-up national workshop in Guinea Bissau, September 2007





Challenges

- Translating policy into action: how should education respond to HIV and AIDS?
- Technical: what works best and how? (and how do we know?)
- Operational: how to achieve and maintain an optimum balance among programme, human and financial resources to ensure quality outputs?
- Operational / coordination: how best to involve UNESCO offices, national partners, UNAIDS Cosponsors?



Future priorities

- Continue to align existing and future resources to UNESCO Strategy and EDUCAIDS Framework for Action
- Continue to build human and financial resource capacity
- Develop renewed technical leadership in prevention education
- Develop operational norms and standards for education sector responses to HIV and AIDS
- Maintain key partnerships and develop new ones, including seeking further opportunities for South-South cooperation



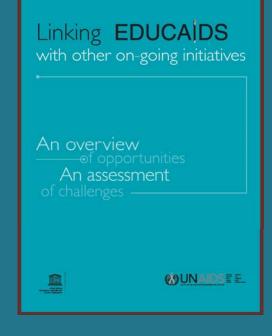
Future priorities: Linkages and cooperation

 Use what we know about linkages to increase operational cooperation e.g. across LIFE and TTISSA

with a view towards...

....supporting countries to achieve EFA, and

...supporting education ministries to contribute fully to national efforts for universal access to HIV & AIDS prevention, treatment, care and support.





For more information

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