

**Third Meeting of the Working Group on Education for All
UNESCO Headquarters
22-23 July 2002, Room X**

Provisional Programme and Agenda

Expected outcomes:

1. Increased mutual awareness and stronger partnerships for EFA
2. Overview and deeper mutual understanding of the progress and challenges of implementing EFA with regard to:
 - planning
 - financing
 - advocacy
 - monitoring
3. Broad consensus on the place and implementation of the EFA International Strategy
4. Recommendations for the programme of the second High-Level Group Meeting

MONDAY 22 JULY

8:30 am Registration

Chair: John Daniel, The Assistant Director-General for Education

9:30-9:45 am Welcome to participants
Koïchiro Matsuura, Director-General of UNESCO

9:45-10 am Objectives of the Third Meeting of the Working Group
John Daniel, Assistant Director-General for Education

10-10:30 am The experience of planning and implementing EFA
Panel presentation by India

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Panel presentation by Burkina Faso
Each of these two presentations will include the perspectives of government, civil society and academia. They will focus on what difference Dakar has made to the national processes of planning and implementing EFA, with an emphasis on key determining factors and challenges faced.

11-11:30 am Coffee

- 11:30 -11:45 am Discussant: Response to country presentations: Mr John Morris, CIDA
- 11:45 am -1 pm General discussion on EFA planning
- 1 -2:30 pm Lunch
- 2:30-2:45 pm Financing EFA: The Fast Track Initiative
Robert Prouty, Principal Education Specialist, World Bank
Negotiations are underway with a selection of countries to put in place fast-track funding. The presentation will give the latest developments and the prospects for the implementation phase.
- 2:45-3:30 pm Discussion on fast-track initiative
- 3:30-4 pm Coffee
- 4-5 pm Strengthening partnerships for implementation of EFA Strategy
Presentation and discussion
Mr Abhimanyu Singh and Mr Clinton Robinson, Dakar Follow-up Unit, UNESCO
A brief presentation of the newly published 'International Strategy to put the Dakar Framework on Education for All into operation' will set the scene for discussion of its structure, contents and use. Four of the five principal elements of the strategy will be taken up in the subsequent group work.
- 5-6:30 pm The meeting breaks up in groups with resource persons from agencies:
- a) Sustainable political commitment with particular attention to advocacy and communication, including Global EFA week (UNESCO).
 - b) Planning and implementation: role of international agencies and donors (UNICEF).
 - c) Financing EFA: domestic resource mobilization and external support (World Bank).
 - d) Assessing progress: bridging the data gap (UIS)
The aim of this group work is to explore elements of EFA where national-level action can be enhanced by international support and to explore how this support might be best structured. Groups are asked to write up their findings in up to three pages, and to prepare a 10-minute presentation for reporting back in plenary.
- 6:45-8 pm Reception hosted by the Assistant Director-General for Education

TUESDAY 23 JULY

Chair: John Daniel, the Assistant Director-General for Education

- 9-10 am Groups report back to plenary (10 minutes per group)
- 10-11:15 am The EFA Monitoring Report. Presentation and discussion
Christopher Colclough and Denise Lievesley
The status of the 2002 report will be presented with matters relating to its development beyond 2002
- 11:15-11:45 am Coffee
- 11:45 am-12:45 pm High-Level Group programme: presentation and recommendations
Mr Abhimanyu Singh, Lead Manager, Dakar Follow-up Unit,
UNESCO
The 2002 High-Level Group will meet on 19-20 November in Abuja, Nigeria, back to back with a donors' group meeting. The status of the planning for the meeting will be presented, with discussion of recommendations that the Working Group may like to make regarding the possible outcomes, format and programme of the High-Level Group.
- 12:45 pm-1 pm Concluding remarks
John Daniel, Assistant Director-General for Education