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Here is a snapshot of the latest Education for All activities, recent publications, upcoming events as well as relevant news from CCNGO/EFA members.

Highlights



UN Global Consultation on Education post-2015: Lifelong learning a cornerstone of development (Dakar, Senegal, 18-19 March 2013)

Over 100 representatives from countries, the civil society, UN agencies, donors and academia and agreed that EFA remains an “unfinished agenda” and recommended further commitment from the international community, with a stronger focus on equity and quality, to shaping the development agenda beyond 2015. Civil society representatives included a number of CCNGO/EFA Coordination Group members. The Dakar meeting followed a series of consultations on the topic, including the Sixth CCNGO/EFA Meeting.

[More about the Dakar meeting](#)

[More about the outcomes of pre-Dakar consultations](#)



Big Push for EFA in Africa

In follow-up to the Johannesburg Regional EFA Meeting (October 2012) and the Global EFA Meeting (November 2012) which called for a last ‘Big Push’ to achieve the EFA goals by 2015, an EFA acceleration framework has been launched in Africa. The first group of countries met in Dakar, Senegal from 20-23 March 2013 to develop national plans for the acceleration process.

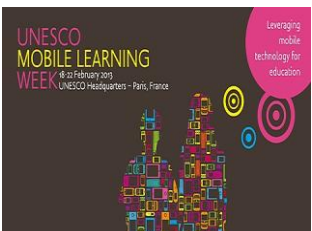
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Experts rethink the education of the future

A Senior Experts Group set up by UNESCO’s Director General met at UNESCO headquarters in Paris from 12-14 February to start a critical review of the two landmark 20th Century education reports - the Faure and Delors reports - in order to identify the needs and perspectives of education of the 21st Century.







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Second UNESCO Mobile Learning Week (Paris, France, 18-22 February 2013)

The Week focused on achieving EFA by increasing education access, quality and equality via mobile learning. To mark the week, UNESCO launched a set of Policy Guidelines for Mobile Learning (see ‘Publications’ below).

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	<p>Roundtable on girls' and women's education at the first Global Forum of Francophone Women (Paris, France, 20 March 2013)</p> <p>Organised by UNESCO in partnership with the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the International Organization of the French-speaking World (IOF), the roundtable focused on women's literacy, prevention of school dropout among young girls, and women's access to higher education. More</p>
	<p>Education, Social and Environmental Justice at the World Social Forum (Tunis, Tunisia, 28 March 2013)</p> <p>The Working Group on Education which includes a number of CCNGO/EFA members, organised an event at the WSF to discuss the "education we need for the future we want". The WSF was organized from 27-29 March under the theme 'Dignity'. More</p>
	<p>Employability, Democracy and Sustainable Communities the themes of the 8th UNESCO Youth Forum</p> <p>For the first time, the themes of the Youth Forum were decided by young people through a series of online consultations. Taking place from 29-31 October 2013 as part of UNESCO's General Conference, the Youth Forum is an opportunity for youth delegates to share experiences, exchange ideas and submit proposals to UNESCO Member States. More</p>
<h2 style="background-color: #4f7942; color: white; padding: 10px; border-radius: 5px;">Regional EFA Meetings</h2>	
	<p>Regional Interagency Coordination Meeting on the EFA2015 Reviews (Beirut, Lebanon, 8 March 2013)</p> <p>In follow-up to the EFA Regional Forum for the Arab States (October 2012), the meeting was organized to plan regional activities, in particular the development of the regional EFA report and the organisation of a regional EFA conference in 2014. More</p>
	<p>13th Regional Meeting of National EFA Coordinators: The Big Push (Bangkok, Thailand, 26-27 February 2013)</p> <p>In follow-up to the Global EFA Meeting (November 2012), the meeting focused on how to accelerate EFA progress at country level, the national EFA2015 review process, and the role of education in the post-2015 development agenda. More</p>
	<p>Regional consultation on education in the post-2015 development agenda (Bangkok, Thailand, 28 February-1 March 2013)</p> <p>Building on consultations on the post-2015 agenda that started in the region since 2012, the meeting called for equitable opportunities for all to participate in transformative quality learning in order to achieve inclusive and sustainable development. A number of NGOs undertook preparatory consultations prior to the meeting. More</p>



Extended Third Meeting of the Board of Regional Intergovernmental Committee of EFA/PRELAC (Mexico City, Mexico, 29-30 January 2013)

Ministers of Education and high representatives of the education sector in Latin America and the Caribbean, including CLADE, to review progress and to adopt recommendations for the regional post-2015 education agenda.

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Upcoming Events



Every Child Needs a Teacher: Global Action Week 2013 (21-27 April 2013)

The 2013 Global Action Week is calling for states to ensure that every child has a well-trained and well-supported teacher. Resource materials are available on the UNESCO and [GCE](#) websites.

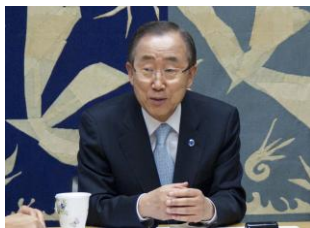
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191st session of UNESCO's Executive Board (Paris, France, 10-25 April 2013)

The session will consider UNESCO's draft medium term strategy (2014-2020) and draft programme and budget (2014-2017). [More](#)

The Committee on Non-Governmental Partners (NGP) will also meet during the session (for more information, visit the [NGP newsletter](#)).



The Final Sprint to 2015: Delivering Quality Education and Learning for All (Washington, DC, 16-18 April 2013)

In support of the UN Secretary-General's Global Education First Initiative (GEFI), several events during the week of the IMF/World Bank Spring Meetings will focus on accelerating progress towards EFA by 2015.

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EU High-Level Conference on Education and Development (Brussels, Belgium, 23 May 2013)

The conference will identify ways for donors to support the provision of equitable, quality education, particularly in countries most off track to meet the international education goals, and discuss the role of education in the post-2015 development framework.

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Publications



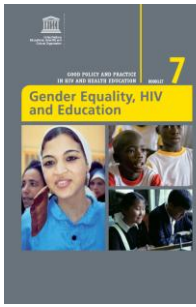
Be skilled, be employed, be the change generation. Youth Version of the 2012 EFA Global Monitoring Report

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UNESCO Policy Guidelines for Mobile Learning

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	<p>UNESCO Guidelines for the Recognition, Validation and Accreditation of the Outcomes of Non-Formal and Informal Learning</p> <p>Download</p>		<p>Asia-Pacific: End of Decade notes on EFA: Goal 6 Quality Education (in English)</p> <p>Download</p>
	<p>EFA Global Monitoring Report Policy Paper 06: Education for All is affordable – by 2015 and beyond</p> <p>Download</p>		<p>Gender Equality, HIV and Education (in English)</p> <p>Download</p>

News from CCNGO/EFA Members



New CCNGO/EFA member organisations

A warm welcome to new CCNGO/EFA member organisations [Absolute Return for Kids](#) (UK), [Kindernothilfe](#) (Germany), [Banlieues du Monde Mauritanie](#) (Mauritania) and the [Arab Network for Civic Education](#)!

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