

Expert Meeting from 30 May to 1 June 2011

**Towards UNESCO Guidelines on Language Policies:
a Tool for Language Assessment and Planning**

Paris, UNESCO HQ, Rooms XIII, VI, VII et VIII

Preliminary Programme

Time	Theme	Session
9.00 – 10.00	<p>Opening remarks by Mr Jānis Kārklīņš, Assistant Director-General for Communication and Information, UNESCO</p> <p>Representative of Culture Sector, UNESCO (to be confirmed)</p> <p>Welcome remarks TBA</p> <p>Keynote speakers: Ms Lenore Grenoble, Professor, University of Chicago</p> <p>Mr Michael Krauss, Professor Emeritus University of Alaska Fairbanks and former Director, Alaska Native Language Center from its inception in 1972 until 2000 (to be confirmed)</p>	<p>Plenary in Room XIII</p> <p>Note: (Bonvin/Miollis building)</p>
10.00 – 11.00	<p>Presentations:</p> <p>“UNESCO’s ‘Language Vitality and Endangerment’ Methodological Guideline: Review of Application and Feedback since 2003”, TBA</p> <p>“State of the Art on Multilingualism and Education”, TBA</p> <p>“Public Service Broadcasting and Language Development” by Mr Levy Obijiofor, School of Journalism and Communication, University of Queensland, Brisbane</p> <p>“Assessing Language Situation and Planning in relation to the Internet” by Mr Marcel Diki-Kidiri, researcher, Languages and Africa, University of Paris 7</p> <p>“Language assessment and planning for marginalized groups” by Ms Ulrike Zeshan, Director, International Institute for Sign Languages and Deaf Studies, University of Central Lancashire</p>	
11.15 – 11.30	Coffee break	
11.15 – 12.45	Debate	
12.45 – 13.00	Introduction for the working groups	

13.00 – 14.00	Lunch	
14.30 – 16.15	Working group discussions on Language Vitality Factors: No 1. Intergenerational language transmission No 4. Shifts in domains of language use No 5. Response to new domains and uses	3 parallel groups in VI, VII et VIII
16.15 – 16.30	Coffee break	
16.30 – 18.00	Groups' reports on factors 1, 4, 5 and debate: Reporters of 3 working groups	Plenary in Room VI
18.15 – 19.45	Welcome cocktail	TBC

31 May 2011		
Time	Theme	Session
9.00 – 11.00	Working group discussions on factors: No 7. Governmental and institutional language attitudes and policies including official status and use No 8. Community members' attitudes toward their own language	3 parallel groups in Rooms VI, VII et VIII
11.00 – 11.15	Coffee break	
11.15 – 12.00	Working group discussions on factors 7, 8 (Cont.)	3 parallel groups in Rooms VI, VII et VIII
12.00 – 13.00	Groups' reports on factors 7,8 and debate: Reporters of 3 working groups	Plenary in Room VI
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch	
14.30 – 16.15	Working group discussions on factors: No 2. Absolute number of speakers No 3. Proportion of speakers without the total population	3 parallel groups in Rooms VI, VII et VIII
16.15 – 16.30	Coffee break	
16.30 – 18.00	Groups' reports on factors 2, 3 and debate: Rapporteurs of 3 working groups	Plenary in Room VI

1 June 2011		
Time	Theme	Session
9.00 – 11.15	Working group discussions on factors: No 6. Availability of materials for language education and literacy No 9. Amount and quality of documentation	3 parallel groups in Rooms VI, VII et VIII
11.15- 11.30	Coffee break	
11.30 – 13.00	Groups' reports - Reporters of 3 groups	Plenary in Room VI
13.00 – 15.00	Working Lunch	2 parallel groups in Rooms VI and VII
	- small group for meeting outcomes	
	- small group for follow-up	
15.00 – 17.30	Summary briefing Follow – up proposal Closing session	Plenary in Room VI