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What is NEQMAP?

The Network on Education Quality Monitoring in the Asia-Pacific (NEQMAP), established in March 2013 in Bangkok, Thailand, is a platform for exchange of knowledge, experience and expertise on the monitoring of educational quality in countries of the Asia-Pacific region. **NEQMAP aims to improve the quality of learning in the Asia-Pacific by enhancing the use of student learning assessment to strengthen education systems.** The network focuses on **student learning assessment** as a key tool for monitoring education quality, while acknowledging the importance of maintaining strong **linkages** with other enablers of learning in classrooms including **curriculum** and **pedagogy**. UNESCO's Asia and Pacific Regional Bureau for Education (UNESCO Bangkok) serves as the NEQMAP Secretariat.

What do we do?

Activities of the network comprise **capacity development, research and knowledge sharing** among network members and other relevant stakeholders, including the following types of activities:

CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

- ◆ Training workshops
- ◆ Technical support
- ◆ Study visits
- ◆ Expert advice

RESEARCH

- ◆ Comparative studies
- ◆ Mapping studies
- ◆ Case studies
- ◆ Topical research
- ◆ Policy briefs

KNOWLEDGE SHARING

- ◆ Online knowledge portal
- ◆ Network meetings
- ◆ E-discussions



What are we doing in 2014–2015?

Some highlights:

1. Organization of capacity development workshops on large-scale learning assessments and related topics
2. Research on how the results of learning assessments are used and their impact on policy and practice
3. Regional mapping on existing policies, programmes and instruments for monitoring educational quality
4. Comparative study on assessment of “transversal” or “21st century” skills
5. Establishment of a knowledge base on student learning assessments in the region



Why should you join NEQMAP?

NEQMAP members include Ministries of Education, assessment and evaluation bodies, universities, research centres, NGOs, foundations, regional and sub-regional organizations and individuals, from all parts of the Asia-Pacific region.

Members benefit from knowledge and information sharing around the themes of learning assessment, curriculum and pedagogy. In addition, they are regularly invited to participate in the network's research activities, training workshops, annual meetings and other events.

How do you join NEQMAP?

Institutional membership to the network is free and open to all institutions and organizations, based on the following criteria:

- ◆ Mandate of the institution/organization/association strongly linked to quality of education, specifically assessment, curriculum and/or pedagogy
- ◆ Track record of activities linked to quality of education
- ◆ Approval by a simple majority of the Steering Group

Individual membership to the network is also available, on a limited basis.

To join NEQMAP, please submit the application form (available on the website or by contacting the Secretariat) and an endorsement letter by the appropriate authority (e.g. Head of Institution/Organization/Association) to the Secretariat email address below.

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