

# **Follow-up to the IEE**

Hans d'Orville ADG/BSP

Information Session

*September 8<sup>th</sup>*

## Background

- Requested by General Conference (35th)
- Final report of IEE presented (185 EX)
- Establishment of Ad Hoc Working Group (185 EX/Dec18)
- Recommendations of Working Group and DG action plan endorsed (186 EX/Dec17)
- Request to report to E.B on progress
- Presented to General Conference (36th)

# Progress

- EB and DG decided **on 87 Action Points**
- 187 EX/17 part 1 will provide detailed report by item with time line
- **Some major initiatives already taken are:**
  - increased focus of the draft 36 C/5;
  - ongoing reflection on the new C/4 and C/5 consultation process;
  - concrete proposal to restructure UNESCO's field presence in Africa;
  - Clearer definition of role of UNESCO liaison offices;
  - draft strategy on partnerships being developed;

Strategic Direction 1:  
**Increasing UNESCO's focus**

- Draft 36C/5: reduction in number of Expected Results and of Intersectoral Platforms
- Africa and Gender equality global priorities strengthened
- Proposals to optimize consultations on C/5 and C/4 presented

## Strategic Direction 2: **Positioning UNESCO closer to the Field**

- **Reform of field network:**
  - Multisectoral Regional Bureaus, National Offices , UNESCO desks, Regional Support Platform
- **Focus on Africa** for the 1<sup>st</sup> phase: ongoing consultation
- **Expected results:**
  - Stronger concentration of expertise
  - Increased presence at national level
  - Better Intersectoral work
  - Corporate Services brought closer to the field

## Strategic Direction 3: **Strengthening Participation in the UN**

- Better definition of role of liaison offices established (Specific guidelines to be issued)
- More focused contribution in country teams (EX4)
- Plan for enhanced inter-agency mobility

## Strategic Direction 4: **Strengthening Governance**

- General Conference will **examine proposals** including 4 year cycle, 37C/4 and 36C/5
- **Merging** of ADM and PRX Commissions
- Proposal for mandate of **Ad Hoc Group** of the Executive Board
- **Quality framework** for Executive Board documents
- Comprehensive **accountability framework** initiated

## Strategic Direction 5: **Developing a Partnership Strategy**

- Draft Policy Framework developed (187EX/17)
- Consultants contracted for **overall policy framework for strategic partnerships**
- **Strategy for engagement with private sector** to be presented
- **New framework of cooperation with NGOs** to be presented



## Next steps

- **187<sup>th</sup> session:** report on progress made by the Secretariat in the implementation of the recommendations of Ad Hoc Working Group
- **36<sup>th</sup> General Conference:** *inter alia* new programming cycle and other items related to IEE
- **189<sup>th</sup> session:** continue to report on progress in the implementation of the recommendations and planned actions