



Earth Science education events

UNESCO Headquarters, Bonvin building, Room XVI
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Morning Session: Update on UNESCO's Earth Science Education Initiative in Africa
([M. Sheya](#), Tanzanian delegation, moderator)

09:00 Reception of participants

- 09:30 Welcome from UNESCO ADG/SC and presentation of result
- Findings of regional scoping meetings ([S. Gaines](#), UNESCO)
 - Initial activities ([F. Toteu](#), UNESCO)
 - African Network of Earth Science Institutions
 - Geologic field mapping
 - Inclusion in primary and secondary education
 - CIFEG intervention
 - International cooperation in central Africa ([L. André](#), RMCA)

10:45-11:00 Coffee break

11:00-12:30 Feedback and discussion with international geoscience community, Member States, African virtual campus, other Intergovernmental science programmes.

12:30-14:00 Lunch break

Afternoon session: Workshop on Earth Science education globally Connections between research and education: the essential, synergistic element for the future ([A. Riccardi](#), IUGS president, moderator)

- 14:00-14:40 Brief presentations to set the scene
- UNESCO introduction
 - [R. Ridky](#), US Geological Survey
 - [J. Martinez-Frias](#), IUGS Commission on Geoscience Education
 - [S. Hlawatsch](#), International Geoscience Educators Organisation

14:40-15:00 Discussion

- 15:00-16:00 Success stories
- Geosciences Information For Teachers ([C. Laj](#))
 - Commission of the Geological Map of the World and OneGeology ([P. Rossi](#))
 - Earth Science Education Unit + Earthlearningidea website ([C. King](#))
 - Global Geoparks Network ([M. Patzak](#))
 - International Year of Chemistry Global Water Experiment ([R. Sigamoney](#))

16:00-16:20 Discussion

16:20-16:35 Coffee break

16:35-18:00 Discussion and Conclusion