

International Mother Language Day Celebration 21 February 2018

Agenda

UNESCO Headquarters, Fontenoy Building, Paris, France
10 a.m. to 12 noon ROOM IX, UNESCO

Linguistic Diversity and Multilingualism Count for Sustainable Development

Wednesday 21 February 2018

9:30 – 10:00	Welcoming Coffee
10:00 – 10:20	<p>Official Opening</p> <p>Master of Ceremony: Ms Lydia Ruprecht, Division for Peace and Sustainable Development, Education Sector, UNESCO</p> <p>Welcome remarks: Ms Soo-Hyang Choi, Director, Division of Education for Peace and Sustainable development, UNESCO</p> <p>Remarks: H. E. Mr Kazi Imtiaz Hossain, Ambassador of Bangladesh to France and Permanent Delegate to UNESCO</p> <p>Remarks: Mr Evgeny Kuzmin, Vice Chair, Intergovernmental Council, UNESCO Information for All Programme (IFAP) and Chair of the Working Group on Multilingualism</p> <p>Remarks: Ms Véronique Taveau, Directrice de la communication et des instances de la Francophonie, Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie (OIF)</p>
10:20 – 10:30	Video UNESCO Green Citizens – Indigenous Knowledge in Nicaragua
10:30 – 12:00	<p>Presentation and Debate</p> <p>Presentation Mr Bilal Fouad Barakat, Global Education Monitoring Report (UNESCO GEM) <i>Language of instruction and literacy in multilingual contexts</i></p> <p>Debate: Our languages, our assets</p>

Moderator : Ms Elizabeth Tchoungui, Journalist, France Ô and Numéro 23

Introduction by the moderator

Discussants:

- Mr Patrick Mouguiama-Daouda, Linguist, Professor at Omar Bongo University, Libreville, Gabon
- Mr Sebastian Drude, Linguist, Vigdís International Center for World Languages, Iceland (via SKYPE)
- Miss Victoria Exley, Education Policy and Advocacy Officer, Global Book Alliance Representative
- Ms Capucine Boidin, Anthropologist, Institute of Latin American Studies, Sorbonne Nouvelle, Paris 3, France

Questions and Answers

English and French interpretation will be available.

Entrance: 7 place de Fontenoy, 75007 Paris