

Global Education Network meeting

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Draft Concept Note

In partnership with:

Global Education network coordinators

BACKGROUND

The North-South Centre of the Council of Europe develops and implements its Global Education (GE) programme activities with the support of the Global Education Network: 40 national coordinators from Council of Europe member States and Morocco (North-South Centre member State) representing Civil Society Organisation platforms or Ministries of Education.

The network liaises the North-South Centre's advocacy and pedagogical support activities as well as its Global Education Week (GEW) awareness-raising campaign and meets annually to assess the progress made in terms of advocacy, pedagogical support and networking.

The GE network coordinators act as the North-South Centre's implementing partners for the realisation of the Global Development Education regional seminars and follow-up meetings. They liaise the North-South Centre's eLearning and residential training activities and pedagogical resources. They coordinate at national level the GEW and report. The GE network coordinators participate in the North-South Centre surveys and in the establishment of programmatic priorities.

The GE programme activities are aligned with the Council of Europe's CM/Rec(2011)4 on education for global interdependence and solidarity and CM/Rec(2010)7 Charter on Education for Democratic Citizenship and Human Rights Education. They are also aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 4,7 on Global Citizenship Education and with SDG 5 (Gender Equality); SDG 16 (Peace, Justice and Strong institutions) and SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals), and with the EU DEVCO/DEAR Global Partnership for Development.

The GE network builds its force on its diversity, enabling peer and intercultural learning between formal and non-formal educators, practitioners and policy makers.

ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

Short introduction to the activity

The GE network two days meeting takes place annually,

Its format and content is subject to a preliminary consultative process through: *i)* a mid-term survey held on GE advocacy priorities and networking and *ii)* a consultation on the meeting dates and content.

It also builds on the evaluation of the previous annual meeting report, the reports of the GDE seminars, follow-up meetings and on the reporting of the GEW.

Targeted outputs:

- At least 30 national coordinators participate and exchange expertise in advocacy, pedagogical support and networking mechanisms;
- Operational recommendations are issued to improve:
 - **GE advocacy** mechanisms (with local authorities, parliamentary commissions on education, and institutional representatives; mobilizing funding)
 - **Partnerships** (with sister organisations/initiatives, formal and non-formal educational structures, associations)
 - **Outreach** (communication strategy with particular emphasis on the GEW and beyond) ;
- GE pedagogical practices are gathered and compiled for the North-South Centre's GE resource page

Targeted outcomes:

- A roadmap/calendar is agreed for the follow-up of the meeting recommendations and the preparation of the GEW;
- Three working groups are established for the follow-up of the meeting recommendations and contributions to the roadmap and definition of priorities for the following GEW.

Targeted group(s):

- National coordinators of the GE network (primary)
- Formal and non-formal educators (secondary) & Policy-makers(secondary)