Transforming Education Knowledge Hub

29 June: Pre-Summit Ministerial Segment I

7:30–10:15 Registration and welcome coffee

Formal Sessions

Master of Ceremony: Mr Henry Bonsu, Journalist and Broadcaster

10:30–11:15

I. Opening: An Ambition to Transform Education

- Mr Antonio Guterres, UN Secretary-General (message)
- Ms Audrey Azoulay, UNESCO Director-General
- H.E. Ms Sahle-Work Zewde, President of Ethiopia, Chair of the International Commission on the Futures of Education
- H.E. Mr Julius Maada Bio, President of Sierra Leone, Co-Chair of the SDG 4 High-Level Steering Committee

Messages from Youth

- Ms Kenisha Arora, Youth Representative of the SDG4 High-Level Steering Committee
Video featuring messages from young people on Transforming Education

11:15–11:45

Special addresses

- H.E. Abdulla Shahid, President of the United Nations General Assembly (message)
- H.E. Santiago Irazabal Mourão, President of the 41st session of the UNESCO General Conference
- Ms Catherine Russell, UNICEF Executive Director, Chair of Summit UN Taskteam

11:45–13:30

II. TRANSFORMING EDUCATION TOGETHER

This session will bring together a diverse range of actors for an open discussion of what educational transformation looks like and how we achieve this. This session will use a quick-paced conversation style format and each participant being allowed a short three-minute response in each round.

Facilitators:

- Mr Henry Bonsu, Master of Ceremony
- Ms Aishwarya Machani, Youth Advocate (United Kingdom)

Introduction

- Ms Amina J. Mohammed, United Nations Deputy Secretary-General
- Ms Stefania Giannini, Assistant Director-General for Education, UNESCO
- H.E. Mr David Sengeh, Minister of Basic and Senior Secondary Education, Sierra Leone, Co-Chair of the Summit Advisory Committee

Panel discussion (Part 1) - voices of diverse actors

- HE Mr Chakib Benmoussa, Minister of National Education, Preschool and Sports, Kingdom of Morocco
Mr Hambani Masheleni, African Union Commission, Head of the Education Division in the Department of Education, Science, Technology, and Innovation

Ms Michelle Codrington-Rogers, Citizenship teacher

H.E. Ms Bjørg Sandkjær, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Norway

Mr Houlin Zhao, Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU)

HE Mr Huai Jinpeng, Minister of Education, People’s Republic of China

Ms Tarcila Rivera Zea, Executive Director, Centro del Culturas Indigenas del Peru

(Interlude - Performance by Ms Tania Saleh, Singer and Songwriter)

Panel discussion (Part 2) – voices of diverse actors

- H.E. Ms Dipu Moni, Minister of Education, People's Republic of Bangladesh
- Mr Nir Shrestha, President at Blind Youth Association Nepal, Kathmandu Valley chapter
- H.E. Ms Anita Muižniece, Minister for Education and Science, Latvia
- Mr Jean Marie Ishimwe, Refugee youth advocate and digital educator
- HE Mr Jaime Perczyk, Minister of Education of Argentina
- Mr António Nóvoa, Honorary Rector of the University of Lisbon, Chair of the Research and Drafting Committee of the International Commission on the Futures of Education
- H.E. Mr Marco Antonio Ávila Lavanal, Minister of Education, Chile
- Dr. Tariq Al Gurg, CEO, Dubai Cares

Reflections on the discussion and conclusion

Mr Leonardo Garnier, UN Secretary-General’s Special Adviser for the Transforming Education Summit

13:30–15:30 Lunch break

15:30–16:45
III. TRANSFORMING FINANCING FOR EDUCATION

High-level panel of Ministers and diverse actors regarding the shift in domestic and international financing needed to drive education transformation, drawing on emerging findings and proposals of Thematic Action Track 5 (education financing).

Welcome and Scene-setting by Youth Leaders - Ms Diana Ayala (Honduras) and Ms Ranja Diab (France)

Opening

- Hon. Premila Kumar, Minister for Education, Heritage and Arts, Fiji, Action Track 5 Co-Lead
- Ms Jutta Urpilainen, European Commissioner for International Partnerships

Fireside chat I. Reaching the furthest behind - catalyzing equity and efficiency in domestic education budgets

Facilitator: H.E. Mr Nesmy Manigat, Minister of Education and Vocational Training, Haiti

- H.E. Ms Agnes Nyalonje, Minister of Education, Malawi (tbc)
- Mr Charles North, Acting CEO, Global Partnership for Education
- H.E. Mr Nigel Clarke, Minister of Finance, Jamaica

Message from Action Track 5 Co-Lead

- H.E. Caroline Desir, Minister of Education, Wallonia-Brussels Federation, Belgium

Fireside chat II. Unlocking more domestic resources for education - the role of international financing

Facilitator: Mr David Archer, Representative of Civil Society, Co-lead for Thematic Action Track 5

- Ms Mamta Murthi, VP for Human Development, the World Bank
- Mr Gordon Brown, UN Special Envoy for Education
- Ms Anne-Brigitte Albrechtson, CEO, the LEGO Foundation
Wrap up by Youth Leader: Ms Lilia Touil (France)

16:45–17:00 Interlude and transition into parallel sessions

17:00–19:30 Parallel Sessions

IV. COMMITTING TO TRANSFORMATION – MINISTERIAL ROUNDTABLES

For each parallel session: Ministers present key transformative actions and commitments from the national consultations.

Room I
Youth and Teacher Moderators:

1. Mr Jamie Frost, winner of the Global Teacher Prize 2020 Covid Hero Award
2. Ms Sofia Bermudez, SDG4Youth Representative

Room II
Youth and Teacher Moderators:

1. Mr Nhial Deng, Refugee Youth Advocate
2. Ms Haldis Holst, Deputy General Secretary, Education International

Room XI
Youth and Teacher Moderators:

1. Ms Sara Gabrielli, Luxembourg Youth Parliament
2. Ms Anna Molero, Chief Government Officer, Teach for All

Ministerial speaking list

19:30 Reception for Heads of Delegations hosted by UNESCO (by invitation only)
Other meetings

- Meeting of the SDG 4 High-Level Steering Committee (closed-door)
- Side meetings
- Village events
- Watch live