



# Transforming Education Knowledge Hub

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Chaired by **H.E. Julius Maada Bio, the President of Sierra Leone** and **Audrey Azoulay, UNESCO's Director General**, HLSC aims to speed country-level progress towards SDG 4. It consists of a Leadership Group composed of **28 members of which 18 represent the 6 regions of the world**, with two countries and one inter-governmental regional organization per region.

*Watch co-Chairs UNESCO Director-General Audrey Azoulay and President Bio of Sierra Leone*

## Member States and Regional Organisations

### Western European and North American States

#### France

**H.E. Mr Pap Ndiaye, Minister of National Education, Youth and Sports of the French Republic**

Ms Nathalie Nikitenko, Delegate for European and International Relations and Cooperation

## **Portugal**

### **H.E. M. João Miguel Marques da Costa, Minister of Education of the Portuguese Republic**

Ms Luísa Ucha, Advisor to the Ministry of Education

## **European Commission**

### **Ms Jutta Urpilainen, Commissioner for International Partnerships**

Mr Martin Seychell, Deputy Director-General DG INTPA

## **Eastern European States**

### **Latvia**

#### **H.E. Ms Anita Muižniece, Minister Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia**

Ms Laura Treimane, Counsellor for Education and Science Permanent Representation of the Republic of Latvia to OECD and UNESCO

### **Slovenia**

#### **H.E. Ms Simona Kustec, Minister of Education, Science and Sport of the Republic of Slovenia**

Mr Aleš Ojsteršek, Education Development and Quality Office, Ministry of Education, Science and Sport

## **Council of Europe**

### **Mr Matjaz Gruden, Director of Democratic Participation**

Mr Villano Qiriazzi, Head of the Education Department

## **Latin-American and Caribbean States**

## **Argentina**

**H.E. Mr Jaime Perczyk, Minister of Education of the Argentine Republic**

Ms Marina Larrea, National Director of International Cooperation

## **Colombia**

**H.E. Ms Maria Victoria Angulo, Minister of National Education of the Republic of Colombia**

Mr Ivan Gómez, Director of International Affairs and Cooperation, Colombian Ministry of Education

**Organization of Ibero-American States for Education, Science and Culture (OEI)**

**Mr Mariano Jabonero Blanco, Secretary-General**

Ms Tamara Díaz, Director of the Education Sector

## **Asian and Pacific States**

### **Bangladesh**

**H.E. Dr. Dipu Moni M.P., Minister of Education of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**

H.E. Mr. Khondker Mohammad Talha, Ambassador, Permanent Delegate of Bangladesh to UNESCO

### **China**

**H.E. Mr Huai Jinpeng, Minister of Education of the People's Republic of China**

Mr Qin Changwei, Secretary-General, Chinese National Commission for UNESCO

**Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization (SEAMEO)**

**Dr Ethel Agnes Pascua-Valenzuela, Director, SEAMEO Secretariat**

Dr Xavapeth Chaphichith, Deputy Director, SEAMEO Secretariat

## **African States**

### **Côte d'Ivoire**

**H.E. Ms Mariatou Kone, Minister of National Education and Literacy of Côte d'Ivoire**

M. Kouassi Kouakou Eloi Noël, Inspector and Head of Education, Technical Advisor to the Minister of National Education and Literacy

### **Sierra Leone - HLSC co-Chair**

**H.E. Mr Julius Maada Bio, President of the Republic of Sierra Leone (Leaders Group co-Chair)**

H.E. Mr David Moinina Sengeh, Minister of Basic and Senior Secondary Education (Sherpa Group co-Chair)

## **African Union**

**H.E. Prof. Mohamed Belhocine, Commissioner for Education, Science, Technology and Innovation (ESTI)**

Mr Hambani Masheleni, Ag. Head of Education Division

## **Arab States**

### **Jordan**

**H.E Prof. Wajih Oweis, Minister of Education, Higher Education and Research of the Kingdom of Jordan**

Ms Ibtisam Ayoub, Secretary General, Jordan National Commission for Education, Culture and Science

## **Morocco**

**H.E. Mr Chakib Benmoussa, Minister of National Education, Preschool and Sports, President of the National Commission for Education, Science and Culture of the Kingdom of Morocco**

Mr Adil Bajja, Director of Strategy, Statistics and Planning

## **ALECSO**

**Mr Mohamed Ould Amar, Director General**

Mr Hechmi Ardhaoui, Education Expert

## **Multilateral Organisations/Banks/Funds**

### **UNESCO - Ex Officio Member**

**Ms Audrey Azoulay, Director-General (Leaders Group co-Chair)**

Ms Stefania Giannini, Assistant Director-General for Education (Sherpa Group co-Chair)

## **GPE**

**Mr Charles North, Interim Chief Executive Officer**

Ms Margarita Focas Licht, Manager, Partnerships Team and Acting Deputy CEO

## **OECD**

**Mr Mathias Cormann, Secretary-General**

Mr Andreas Schleicher, Director for Education and Skills, Special Advisor on Education Policy to the Secretary-General

## **UNICEF**

**Ms Catherine M. Russell, Executive Director**

Mr Rob Jenkins, Assistant Executive Director Education

## **World Bank**

**Ms Mari Pangestu, Managing Director, Development Policy & Partnerships**

Mr Jaime Saavedra, Global Director Education

## **Development Cooperation (Donor) Representative**

### **Spain**

**H.E. Mr José Manuel Albares Bueno, Minister of Foreign Affairs, European Union and Cooperation**

Ms María Pilar Moreno Fernández, Head of Unit, Decentralized Cooperation and Education, DG for Sustainable Development Policies, State Secretariat for International Cooperation

## **Collective Consultation of NGOs on Education 2030**

**Mr Refat Sabbah, President, Global Campaign for Education**

Ms Helen Dabu, Secretary General, Asia South Pacific Association for Basic and Adult Education

## **Teacher Organization Representative - Education International**

**Mr David Edwards, General Secretary**

Ms Antonia Wulff, Director of the Research, Policy and Advocacy Unit

## **Foundations and Private Sector Representative**

**Mr Simon Sommer, Co-Chief Executive Officer, Jacobs Foundation**

Ms Camilla Croso, Director, Higher Education Support Program, Open Society Foundations

## **Youth and Student Representative**

**Ms Kenisha Arora, SDG4Youth Executive Committee Representative**

Ms Doris Mwikali, SDG4Youth Executive Committee Representative

## **Standing invitations to attend HLSC Leadership Group meetings**

The Rt. Hon. Gordon Brown, UN Special Envoy for Global Education

Ms Jayathma Wickramanayake, UN Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth

*Watch HLSC Sherpa members explaining why and how to transform education*

Remote video URL