Draft Scenario Paper V3 for an improved Global Education Cooperation Mechanism



May 3rd, 2021





Agenda

Time (Dakar time)	Session	Speaker/Moderator
9:00- 9:10 (10 min)	Welcome remarks	 Mr. Dimitri Sanga, Director, UNESCO Regional Bureau for West Africa Mr Nicholas Quma, Senior Youth Advisor, African Union Commission, Working Group member Dr. Elyas Abdi, Director-General of Education, Kenya, Working Group member
9:10- 9:15 (5 min)	Rationale for rethinking the Global Education Cooperation Mechanism	Ms. Maki Katsuno-Hayashikawa, Director, Division for Education 2030, UNESCO
9:15- 9:45 (30 min)	Presentation of the proposed reform of the global education cooperation mechanism • Presentation of the scenario paper (15 min) • Q&A (15 min)	Ms. Hauda Najem, MDF Training and Consultancy

GCM consultation process till now

Various consultation processes and in-depth analysis \Rightarrow Input Paper \Rightarrow Initial Scenario Paper V1

Consultation among WG members concerning agreement / additional suggestions for improvement Scenario Paper ⇒ Draft Scenario Paper V2

WG meeting (22 April) providing further inputs on Scenario paper and Member State survey about problems, solutions and thematic priorities ⇒ Draft Scenario Paper V3

Regional and constituency consultations ⇒ Draft Scenario Paper V4

Final WG meeting (27 May) ⇒ Proposal for 2021 GEM

Purpose of the regional/constituency consultations

Receive specific inputs from this region/constituency to ensure linkages between global- and regional-level cooperation in education, so as to effectively contribute to accelerating progress towards SDG 4 targets at the country level

Which of the SDG 4 targets are top priorities for global and regional cooperation for the 2021-2024 period?

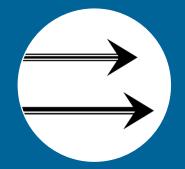
How could the existing global and regional education cooperation mechanisms and initiatives be further improved to support countries in accelerating progress towards SDG4?

What functions and institutional structure would enable the global education cooperation mechanism to provide more coordinated, efficient and effective support for countries to accelerate progress towards SDG 4?

Consultation process



Co-creation / participation of broad range of stakeholders

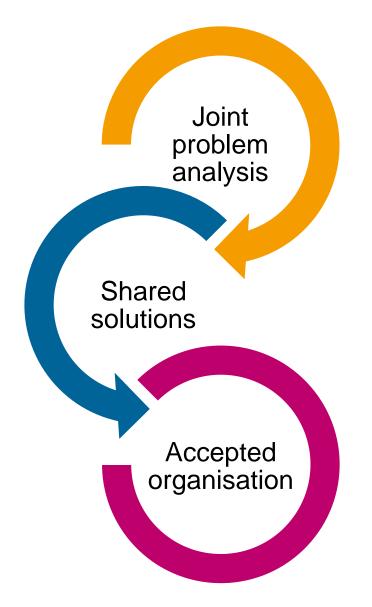


Cognisant of timeconstraints => parallel processes / rapid iterations



Structure follows strategy for improvement

Logic of set-up scenario paper

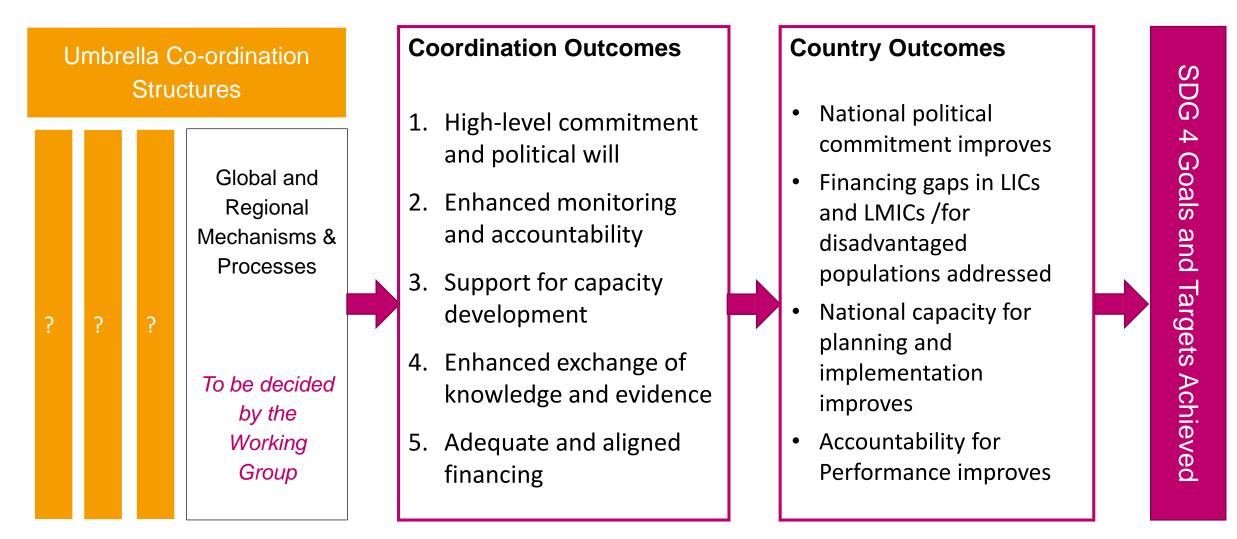


Consensus around a problem definition

Agreement about solutions / functional improvements

Agreed / owned structural reforms embedded in existing architecture

Framework for effective global cooperation around SDG 4



Observed problems / challenges

Central challenge: greater efficiency, stronger synergies and better delivery in the global education *governance*, with COVID-19 heightening the urgency for action to reversals in SDG 4 progress

Failure to
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political/highlevel priorities
and
commitments
into credible
actions

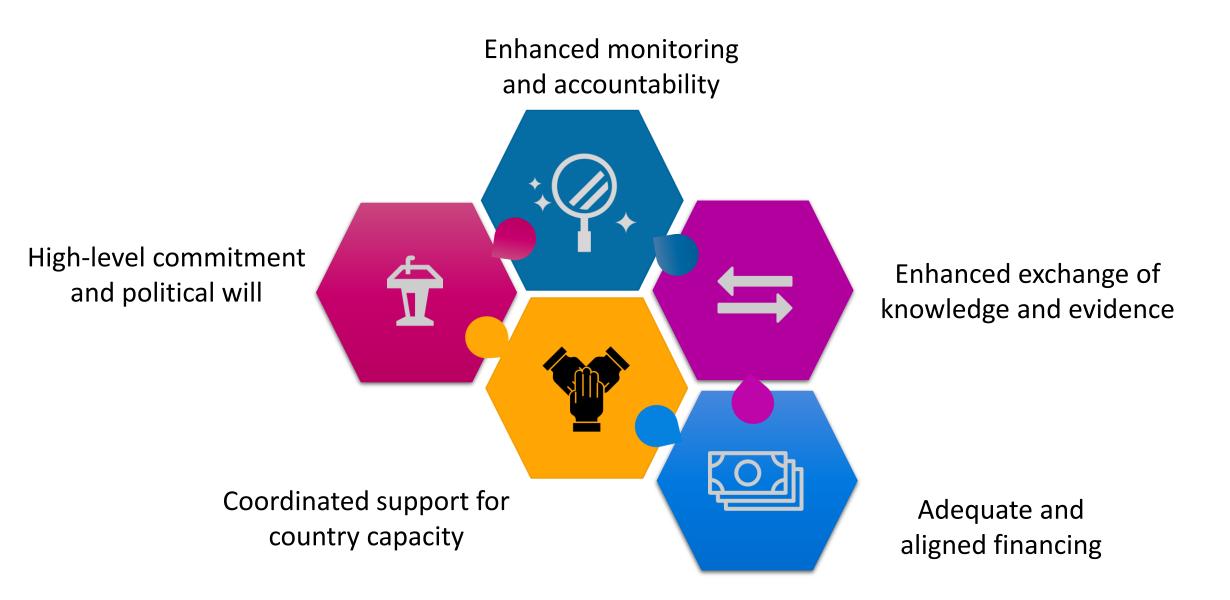
Failure to hold one another accountable for commitments and performance

Ineffective/
fragmented int'l
technical and
policy support to
strengthening
government
capacity

Insufficient supply of, and demand for and effective use of, knowledge and evidence

Inadequate, fragmented or misaligned (use of) international and domestic funding

Suggested solutions/results areas for improved global coordination



Scenario for a fit-for purpose GCM: objectives

Agreed solutions to be embedded in institutional arrangements (incl. structures, mandates and relationships)

Start from a reconfirmed purpose that the GCM aims to serve

Generate enabling
environment of
conditions and
incentives at global level
for better cooperation,
and galvanise action for
prioritised 'missions'.

Proposed functional capabilities of the GCM



Developing priorities and aggregating evidence for policy steering and accelerated action towards the achievement of SDG 4.

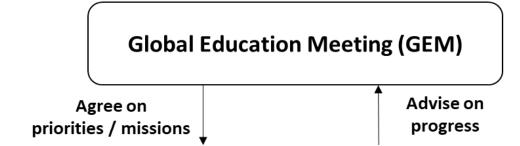


Monitoring progress and improving the availability and use of SDG4related data to enhance conditions for holding global-level stakeholders to account for their commitments and performance.



Advocate for **mobilising financing and improving alignment** and use of domestic and international education financing.

Proposed top-level functions and structure for the GCM



Global education apex body

Mandate:

- Provide evidence-based global education policy leadership
- Advocate for better mobilization and use of domestic and international education financing
- Hold global-level stakeholders to account for their commitments and performance

High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) Report Progress

An advisory committee

Functional areas:

- Evidence and knowledge for education policy steering
- Effective education financing through advocacy and monitoring
- Data for monitoring for accountability

Secretariat (convening agencies) hosted by UNESCO

Proposed options for an apex body

Small group of eminent individuals appointed in a personal capacity

- Inspirational leadership
- Reliance on its status and reputation than the formal political position
- May provide leadership in education but be less capable of holding countries to account
- Depends on the improved functioning of accountability mechanisms at regional or country level

Inclusive group of high-level officials representing the breadth of the global education community

- Stronger legitimacy in holding countries to account
- Provided it has a functional accountability framework at its disposal that complements existing mechanisms
- May not provide quick decisions and policy leadership

Hybrid

Next steps

Phase 1 till 27 May

- Agree on main actions of each functional GCM area.
- Agree on responsibilities and composition apex body, including link to GEM.
- Agree on global SDG4 priorities for next 2 – 3 years.

Phase 2 till July '21

 Endorse / adapt the proposed GCM including its thematic areas of focus.

Phase 3 till Nov '21

- Convene 1st meeting of global apex body.
- Launch global missions towards improved coordination of country capacity support.

Phase 4 2022

 Implement work for coordinated support for country capacity.



Q&A

Instructions

- Link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/gcmwca
- Date of submission: Tuesday, 11th May
- For any technical support, contact hauda.najem@gmail.com



Discussion question 1

Which five of the following SDG 4 target areas could be prioritized for global and regional cooperation in the next 3 years to support progress toward SDG 4 as countries recover from the current COVID-19 affected context?



Discussion question 2

How could the existing global and regional education cooperation mechanisms and initiatives be further improved to support countries in accelerating progress towards SDG4?

Housekeeping Slide #2

- Breakout rooms distribution per language
- Click / Accept invitation to breakout room, received as notification on your screen
- One moderator chairing each session (with a rapporteur and note taker)
- Moderators can ensure Rapporteur is assigned for each session
- In 30 minutes, you will be automatically brought back to the plenary session
- Reporting in plenary by groups for 25 minutes



Discussion question 3

3. What functions and institutional structure would enable the global education cooperation mechanism to provide more coordinated, efficient and effective support for countries to accelerate progress towards SDG 4?