



THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

23 January 2020

Excellency,

Reference is made to my letter dated 17 January 2020, regarding the High-level Interactive Dialogue on the occasion of the International Day of Education, scheduled for Friday, 24 January 2020.

I have the pleasure to transmit herewith an updated programme for the High-level Interactive Dialogue. As hitherto conveyed, there is no pre-determined list of speakers. Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limit of 3 minutes for statements by individual Member States and 5 minutes for delegations speaking on behalf of group of States.

While looking forward to your participation, please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest regards.

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Tijjani Muhammad-Bande

All Permanent Representatives and  
Permanent Observers to the United Nations  
New York



**Programme**  
**International Day of Education**

**Date:** Friday, 24 January 2020

**Venue:** Trusteeship Council Chamber, UN Headquarters

<b>Morning Session</b>	
<b>9:50 a.m.</b>	<b>Arrivals</b>
<b>10:00am</b>	Welcome Address by the President of the General Assembly
<b>10:10am</b>	Opening Remarks by the UN Deputy Secretary-General  Remarks by H.E. Mr. Ishikane Kimihiro, Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations, on behalf of the Group of Friends on Education
<b>10:20am</b>	<p><b>Panel Presentations and Discussions (Session I)</b></p> <p>Topic: <i>The Learning Crisis, Effectiveness of Contemporary Responses, and Pathways to Innovative Solutions</i></p> <p>Introductory Remarks: -Mr. Xing Qu, Deputy Director-General of UNESCO</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) H.E. Geraldine Byrne Nason, Permanent Representative of Ireland (on behalf of the Minister for Youth and Children Affairs of Ireland)</li> <li>(b) Shaikha Intisar Al Sabah, Founder, Al Nowair, Kuwait</li> <li>(c) Dr. David Edwards, General Secretary, Education International</li> <li>(d) Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission, Nigeria</li> <li>(e) Mr. Manos Antoninis, Director, UNESCO Global Education Monitoring Report</li> </ul> <p><b>MODERATOR:</b> Ms. Jo Bourne, Chief Technical Officer, Global Partnership for Education</p>

<b>11:20am</b>	Interactive Session- Comments and Brief Oral Presentations by Member States, Selected Agencies and Stakeholders
<b>12:30pm</b>	Video Presentation on Education
<b>1:00pm</b>	Networking Lunch
<b>Afternoon Session</b>	
<b>3:00pm</b>	Video-Goodwill Message from the Director General of UNESCO  Remarks by Mr. Jamie Saavedra, Global Director for Education, World Bank
<b>3:10pm</b>	<b>Panel Presentations and Discussions (Session II)</b>  Topic: <i>Matching the Imperative of Inclusiveness with the Quest for Quality Education: Policy Choices and Action Priorities</i>  Panelists:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Prof. Peter Ayang’Nyong’o, Governor of Kisumu County, Kenya</li> <li>(b) H.E. Aksel Jakobsen, State Secretary of International Development, Norway</li> <li>(c) Ms. Irina Bokova, Former Director General, UNESCO</li> <li>(d) Ms. Linda Jones, Senior Education Adviser, UNICEF</li> <li>(e) Ms. Lucia Burtnik, Youth Representative (Argentina)</li> </ul> MODERATOR: Ms. Yasmine Sherif, Director, Education Cannot Wait
<b>4:10pm</b>	Interactive Session- Comments and Brief Oral Presentations by Member States, Selected Agencies and Stakeholders
<b>4:50pm</b>	President of the General Assembly’s Closing Remarks.