TCG Terms of reference and work plan

Technical Cooperation Group (TCG) meeting
26-28 October 2016
Madrid, Spain
TCG Terms of Reference

- Finalise and maintain the list of thematic indicators and placeholders
- Provide the technical platform to support the implementation of the thematic indicator framework
- Support the work of the IAEG-SDGs
- Guide the production of technical documentation
- Regularly review methodological developments
- Make recommendations to UIS on SDG 4 indicators and reporting
TCG Terms of Reference

- Regularly inform the SDG 4 – Education 2030 Steering Committee on the implementation of the thematic indicator framework
- Review capacity-building activities related to the framework and advise the SDG 4 – Education 2030 Steering Committee and others on capacity-building needs
TCG Members

- Maximum 36 *ex officio* members who are experts in the field of education statistics
  - 28 regionally-representative Member States
  - OECD, UNESCO, UNICEF and the World Bank
  - Educational International and a member nominated by the Collective Consultation of NGOs Coordination Group
- **UIS** will act as **Secretariat** to the group
- **DIR/UIS** and **DIR ED/ESC** will co-Chair
TCG Observers

- **Other Member States** represented in the SDG 4 – Education 2030 Steering Committee

- **UN regional commissions** and other regional agencies

- **NGOs**

- **Other specialised organizations** providing technical advice and support
TCG Working Methods

- Open, inclusive and transparent
- Physical meetings and virtual working
- Decision making by consensus where possible
- Work plan implemented via series of Working Groups established by the TCG
May 11th First meeting of TCG in Washington DC (May 2016) → UIS conducted two surveys on Thematic Indicators and Placeholders (August October 2016) → TCG adopts the list of indicators and establishes working groups (October-2016)

Working Groups begin work and UIS commissions papers as needed (November 2016) → TCG send the final list of indicators for 2017 baseline (December 2016) → Working Groups produce recommendations for TCG (March 2017)

Work proceeds to frame TIER III indicators and defines further needs (June 2017 onward)
TCG Working Groups

- WG1: Indicator development
- WG2: Capacity-building
- WG3: Countries’ reporting
- WG4: Learning outcomes
WG1: Indicator development

- This Working Group (or Groups) will take forward the further development of selected indicators
  - Diagnose implementation difficulties
  - Work plan for methodological development
  - Recommendations to improve data coverage

- Report to the next meeting of the TCG
WG2: Capacity-building

- This Working Group will advise on statistical capacity-development needs and mechanisms to support countries
  - Identify data production capacity bottlenecks globally and nationally
  - Develop an SDG 4 – Education 2030 capacity development assessment framework
  - Produce a statistical capacity needs report
  - Consider the establishment of a mechanism to coordinate development partners to support the development of national statistical development strategies for education
WG3: Countries’ reporting

- This Working Group will establish the basic principles and guidelines to be adopted by the TCG for SDG 4 reporting
  - Comprehensive guide on global data reporting
  - Support development of a manual on implementation of data and metadata reporting and dissemination
WG4: Learning outcomes

- Target-specific Task Forces established by the Global Alliance to Monitor Learning