







TCG4: Report of the UIS about the status of development of the indicators TCG4/8

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TCG Indicator Development

Indicator	Theme	Issues		
4.2.3	Stimulating parenting and	Work plan addressing		
	homes	- Definition and measurement of "positive and		
		stimulating home learning environment"		
		- Global comparability of currently available data		
		from different sources		
		- Benchmarks		
		- Data collection in countries at different income		
		levels		
		Possible modification of indicatorIdentification of custodian for indicator		
		- Reporting strategy		
		Inputs:		
		- Report by Abbie Raikes		
4.3.1	Formal and non-formal	Work plan addressing		
	education and training	- Definition and measurement of participation in		
		formal and non-formal education and training		
		(target population, scope, reference period, etc.)		
		- Global comparability of currently available data		
		from different sources		
		- Strategy for harmonized data collection on formal		
		and non-formal education and training		
		- Reporting strategy		
		Inputs:		
		- Report and work plan by Daniel Capistrano		
4.5.2	Language of instruction	Work plan addressing		
		- Definition of "language of instruction" and "first or		
		home language"		
		- Global comparability of currently available data		
		from different sources		
		- Strategy for harmonized data collection		
		- Benchmarks		
		- Reporting strategy		
		Inputs:		
		- Report by Michael Bruneforth		
4.5.3	Funding formulas	Work plan addressing		
	-	- Conceptual definition of indicator		
		- Measurement of reallocation to disadvantaged		
		populations		
		- Global comparability of data		
		- Benchmarks		
		- Reporting strategy		
		Inputs:		
		- Report by Michael Bruneforth		



4.6.3	Participation rate in literacy programmes	 Work plan addressing Definition and measurement of participation in literacy programmes (target population, scope, reference period, etc.) Global comparability of data Data collection Benchmarks Reporting strategy Inputs: Report and work plan by Daniel Capistrano 	
4.7.1	Global Citizenship Education/Education for Sustainable Development	Work plan addressing	
4.7.2	HIV and sexuality education	 Work plan addressing Definition of "life skills-based HIV and sexuality education" Measurement and global comparability of data Benchmarks Reporting strategy Inputs: Report by Christophe Cornu and Yongfeng Liu (Education Sector) 	
4.7.3	Human Rights education	Work plan addressing	
4.a.1	Adapted infrastructure for disabled students	Work plan addressing	
4.a.2	Bullying	Work plan addressing	



		Inputs: - Christophe Cornu (Education Sector) jointly with WHO	
4.a.3	Attacks on schools	 Work plan addressing Conceptual definition of indicator Data collection strategy Global comparability of data Benchmarks Reporting strategy Inputs: Report from the Global Coalition to Protect Education from Attack 	
4.b.2	Scholarships	Work plan addressing - Data collection and global comparability - Benchmarks - Reporting strategy Inputs: - Paper from GEM Report	
4.c.5	Teachers' salaries	Work plan addressing - Measurement of "average teacher salary" - Definition of "professions requiring a comparable level of qualification" - Global comparability of data - Benchmarks - Reporting strategy Inputs: - Not yet commissioned	
4.c.7	In-service teacher training	Work plan addressing - Definition of "in-service teacher training" - Disaggregation by type of training - Global comparability of data - Benchmarks - Reporting strategy Inputs: - Not yet commissioned	



GAML - Indicator Development

		Development
Indicator	Theme	Issues
4.1.1.b/c	Reading and Mathematics at the end	Work plan addressing
	of primary and end of lower	- Global comparability with Global
	secondary	Framework for Reference
		- Definition of proficiency levels and
		description of levels
		- Benchmarks, one on each measurement
		point
		- Long and interim reporting strategy
		- Possibility of stand-alone module
4.1.1. a	Reading and Mathematics in the early	Work plan addressing
	grades of primary	- Global comparability with Global
		Framework for Reference
		- Specificities of the indicator
		- Definition of proficiency levels and
		description of levels
		- Benchmark
		- Long and interim reporting strategy
		- Possibility of stand-alone module
4.2.1	ECD developmentally-on-track	Support to UNICEF
	and an enoperocentary on a second	- Definition on three domains (learning,
		health, psychosocial)
		- Definition of developmentally-on-track on
		the composite of three domains
		- Development of reporting scale
		- Benchmarks
		- Long and interim reporting strategy
		- Possibility of stand-alone module
4.4.2	Digital literacy skills	Work plan addressing
7.7.2	Digital literacy skills	- Global comparability with Global
		Framework for Reference
		- Definition of proficiency levels
		- Benchmarks
		Long and Interim Reporting strategy
		Possibility of stand-alone module
4.6.1	Literacy and numeracy skills	
4.0.1	Literacy and numeracy skills	Work plan addressing
	_	- Comparability with expanded Framework for Reference
		- Definition of proficiency levels - Benchmarks
		- Implementation options to encourage
		country participation
		- Long and interim reporting strategy
474	CCED	- Possibility of stand-alone module
4.7.4	GCED	Work plan addressing more fundamental
		issues



		 Relevance of global comparability in GCED Possibility of common definitions and proficiency levels Target group – age/grade and in/out of school youth Defining benchmarks 	
		- Reporting strategy, use existing ICCS or	
		'link' across existing national assessments	
		- Commission studies to examine the	
		fundamental issues	
4.7.5	ESD	Work plan addressing more fundamental	
		issues	
		- Relevance of global comparability in ESD	
		- Possibility of common definitions and	
		proficiency levels	
		- Target group – age/grade and in/out of	
		school youth	
		- Defining benchmarks	
		- No existing cross-national assessment	
		except PISA but the assessment might not	
		be repeated	
		- Reporting strategy	
		- Commission studies to examine the	
		fundamental issues	



Annex. Report to the Education 2030 Steering Committee, June 2017

Introduction

The current set of 11 global and 32 thematic indicators (see **Annex 1**) for the follow-up and review of the SDG4 – Education 2030 Agenda were developed in the period 2014 to 2015 and agreed in 2016 by the United Nations Statistical Commission (UNSC) and the Technical Cooperation Group on SDG 4 – Education 2030 Indicators (TCG) respectively. Both sets of indicators were subjected to several rounds of open consultations before being finalised and agreed by countries. **Annex 1** shows which indicators are ready for reporting in 2017 and those which will require further development.

The 11 global indicators were developed by the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators (IAEG-SDGs) based on advice from a wide range of sources including countries, international and regional organizations, civil society, academia and the business community. They were agreed by the UNSC in March 2016 and further endorsed by the UNSC in March 2017. They will be formally adopted by the UN's Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) in June 2017 and thereafter by the UN General Assembly.

The 32 thematic indicators were developed originally by the Technical Advisory Group on Post-2015 Education Indicators (TAG) and included in the Education 2030 Framework for Action adopted by UNESCO Member States in November 2015. The indicator framework has been further reviewed and revised by the TCG formed in 2016. The TCG is responsible for leading the development of the indicators through close cooperation with Member States, civil society representatives and experts from international and regional organizations.

In October 2016, at its second meeting in Madrid, Spain, the TCG approved a set of 29 indicators including the 11 global indicators for reporting in 2017 as well as indicators requiring further methodological development. A number of additional areas were identified for further development, typically on topics not yet well-covered by the agreed sets of indicators. In total, there are 22 indicators including some global indicators, which require further development. To take this work forward the TCG has established a Working Group on Indicator Development (WG-ID) currently consisting of 8-10 participants in the TCG meetings. The WG-ID is responsible for finalising the methodologies for 15 of the 22 indicators. The remaining 7 indicators all concern learning outcomes and will be developed by Task Forces of the Global Alliance to Monitor Learning (GAML) also established by the UNESCO Institute for Statistics in 2016.

The WG-ID and GAML Task Forces are reviewing existing methodologies and data sources for each indicator consulting external experts as appropriate and will make recommendations to the full TCG on the appropriate methodology to use. Once approved by the TCG, the indicators will be added to the list for reporting. The WG-ID is starting work on 7 of the 15 indicators in which members of the group have expertise and for which some methodologies already exist. It is expected to take 12-18



months to complete the development work for all of the indicators identified. The WG-ID presented its draft work plan and set of deliverables for 2017-2018 to the full TCG at its last meeting in Montreal, Canada on 1-2 June 2017.

Indicators requiring further development

For indicators with existing methodologies, the WG-ID will first need to determine if these are applicable in all parts of the world or whether further development or extension of these methodologies will be required. Where a methodology is agreed, the issue will be to widen the coverage of countries by extending existing surveys to more countries, where possible, including relevant questions in other surveys and/or developing new surveys. The WG-ID will be asked to advise on the most appropriate approach(es) in each case. The WG-ID has begun work on the 7 indicators listed in **Table 1**.

Table 1: Indicators already in the process of being developed

No.	Indicator	Action being taken
4.3.1	Participation rate of youth and adults in formal and non-	Review of methodologies in
	formal education and training in the previous 12	existing data sources:
	months, by sex	
		Eurostat's Adult Education
		Survey and Continuing
		Vocational Training Survey
		OECD's Programme for the International Assessment of Adult Competencies
		Review of other potential data
		sources including national
		surveys and labour force
		surveys.
4.4.3	Youth/adult educational attainment rates by age group,	Simplification taking into
	economic activity status, levels of education and	account the aim of the target
	programme orientation	
4.7.1	Extent to which (i) global citizenship education and (ii)	UNESCO's Section for
	education for sustainable development, including	Education for Sustainable
	gender equality and human rights, are mainstreamed at	Development and Global
	all levels in: (a) national education policies, (b) curricula,	Citizenship has developed a
	(c) teacher education and (d) student assessment	draft methodology for review

by the WG-ID



4.7.2	Percentage of schools that provide life skills-based HIV UNESCO's Section for H		
	and sexuality education	and Education has developed a	
		draft methodology for review	
		by the WG-ID	
4.a.2	Percentage of students experiencing bullying, corporal punishment, harassment, violence, sexual discrimination and abuse	World Health Organization is modifying the Global Schoolbased Health Survey with inputs from UNESCO and the School-Related Gender-Based	
4.c.5	Average teacher salary relative to other professions	Violence Working Group Review of existing	
4.0.5	requiring a comparable level of qualification	methodology used by OECD	
		and the identification of	
		suitable comparator	
		professions and data sources	
		on salaries (actual or statutory)	
4.c.7	Percentage of teachers who received in-service training	Review of existing	
	in the last 12 months by type of training	methodology used by OECD	
		and conceptual and	
		definitional development. A	
		cross-national data collection	
		methodology and instrument	
		need to be developed.	

The remaining indicators fall into several different categories. Some indicators have established methodologies and are being collected by other organizations. These methodologies will still need to be reviewed to ensure their applicability across the world and are likely to be addressed by the WG-ID in its next phase of work (see **Table 2**)



Table 2: Indicators with established methodologies

No.	Indicator	Survey instrument(s)	
4.2.3	Percentage of children under 5 years experiencing	UNICEF's Multiple Indicator	
	positive and stimulating home learning environments	Cluster Survey	
4.6.3	Participation rate of illiterate youth/adults in literacy	UIS's Regional Module for Latin	
	programmes	America and the Caribbean	
4.a.3	Number of attacks on students, personnel and	Global Coalition to Protect	
	institutions	Education from Attack	

The remaining five indicators will require more extensive work and may need to involve external experts and possibly substantial revisions to the originally proposed indicator (see **Table 3**).

Table 3: Indicators requiring extensive further methodological development

No.	Indicator	Work required
4.5.2	Percentage of students in primary education	Conceptual and definitional
	whose first or home language is the language of	development.
	instruction	
4.5.3	Extent to which explicit formula-based policies	Conceptual and definitional
	reallocate education resources to disadvantaged	development.
	populations	
		Establishment of an assessment
		tool and method.
4.7.3	Extent to which the framework on the World	Identification of experts able to
	Programme on Human Rights Education is	develop a qualitative assessment
	implemented nationally (as per the UNGA	tool (perhaps similar to that for
	Resolution 59/113)	4.7.1).
		OHCHR has already been
		approached but has not so far
		identified the resources necessary
		to undertake this work.
4.a.1 (d)	Proportion of schools with access to: (d) adapted	Development of definitions
	infrastructure and materials for students with	
	disabilities	
4.b.2	Number of higher education scholarships	Development of a data collection
	awarded by beneficiary country	methodology to cover the many
		disparate sources of scholarships
		for study abroad

The TCG also identified additional areas for further development which are presented in **Table 4**. It is expected that this work would not begin until most of the existing indicators have been addressed by the group.



Table 4: Additional areas for further methodological development

No.	Target	Additional areas for
		development
4.3	By 2030, ensure equal access for all women and men to	Affordability, quality
	affordable quality technical, vocational and tertiary	
	education, including university	
4.4	By 2030, substantially increase the number of youth and	Measures of a broader range of
	adults who have relevant skills, including technical and vocational skills, for employment, decent jobs and	work-related skills than ICTs, other employment-related
	entrepreneurship	indicators
4.7	By 2030, ensure all learners acquire knowledge and skills needed to promote sustainable development, including among others through education for sustainable development and sustainable lifestyles, human rights, gender equality, promotion of a culture of peace and non-violence, global citizenship, and appreciation of cultural diversity and of culture's contribution to sustainable	Attitudes and values, life-long learning/non-formal, qualitative indicators
	development	
4.a	Build and upgrade education facilities that are child, disability and gender sensitive and provide safe, non-violent, inclusive and effective learning environments for all	Expenditure, national quality standards
4.b	By 2020, substantially expand globally the number of scholarships available to developing countries, in particular least developed countries, small island developing States and African countries, for enrolment in higher education, including vocational training, information and communications technology, technical, engineering and scientific programmes in developed countries and other developing countries	Support for marginalised students

The Education 2030 Steering Committee is invited to take note of the work of the TCG.



Annex 1. Global and thematic indicators for the follow-up and review of the Education 2030 Agenda

Pale blue shading = global indicators

Red font = modifications by TCG to original list of 43 thematic indicators presented in the Education 2030 Framework for Action

Target 4.1 By 2030, ensure that all girls and boys complete free, equitable and quality primary and secondary education leading to relevant and effective learning outcomes		For reporting in 2017	Requires further development
4.1.1	Proportion of children and young people (a) in Grade 2 or 3; (b) at the end of primary education; and (c) at the end of lower secondary education achieving at least a minimum proficiency level in (i) reading and (ii) mathematics, by sex	YES	YES
4.1.2	Administration of a nationally-representative learning assessment (a) in Grade 2 or 3; (b) at the end of primary education; and (c) at the end of lower secondary education	YES	
4.1.3	Gross intake ratio to the last grade (primary education, lower secondary education)	YES	
4.1.4	Completion rate (primary education, lower secondary education, upper secondary education)	YES	
4.1.5	Out-of-school rate (primary education, lower secondary education, upper secondary education)	YES	
4.1.6	Percentage of children over-age for grade (primary education, lower secondary education)	YES	
4.1.7	Number of years of (a) free and (b) compulsory primary and secondary education guaranteed in legal frameworks	YES	



Target 4.2 By 2030, ensure that all girls and boys have access to quality early childhood development, care and pre-primary education so that they are ready for primary education		For reporting in 2017	Requires further development
4.2.1	Proportion of children under 5 years of age who are developmentally on track in health, learning and psychosocial well-being, by sex	YES	YES
4.2.2	Participation rate in organized learning (one year before the official primary entry age), by sex	YES	5
4.2.3	Percentage of children under 5 years experiencing positive and stimulating home learning environments	NO	YES
4.2.4	Gross early childhood education enrolment ratio in (a) pre- primary education and (b) and early childhood educational development	YES	
4.2.5	Number of years of (a) free and (b) compulsory pre-primary education guaranteed in legal frameworks	YES	
Target 4.3 By 2030, ensure equal access for all women and men to affordable quality technical, vocational and tertiary education, including university		For reporting in 2017	Requires further development
4.3.1	Participation rate of youth and adults in formal and non- formal education and training in the previous 12 months, by sex	YES	YES
4.3.2	Gross enrolment ratio for tertiary education by sex	YES	
4.3.3	Participation rate in technical-vocational programmes (15-to 24-year-olds) by sex	YES	
Additional areas for development: affordability, quality		Not applicable	YES



For reporting in 2017	Requires further development
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Target 4.6 By 2030, ensure that all youth and aa substantial proportion of adults, both men and women, achieve literacy and numeracy		For reporting in 2017	Requires further development
4.6.1	Proportion of population in a given age group achieving at least a fixed level of proficiency in functional (a) literacy and (b) numeracy skills, by sex	YES	YES
4.6.2	Youth/adult literacy rate	YES	
4.6.3	Participation rate of illiterate youth/adults in literacy programmes	NO	YES
Target 4.7 By 2030, ensure all learners acquire knowledge and skills needed to promote sustainable development, including among others through education for sustainable development and sustainable lifestyles, human rights, gender equality, promotion of a culture of peace and non-violence, global citizenship, and appreciation of cultural diversity and of culture's contribution to sustainable development		For reporting in 2017	Requires further development
4.7.1	Extent to which (i) global citizenship education and (ii) education for sustainable development, including gender equality and human rights, are mainstreamed at all levels in: (a) national education policies, (b) curricula, (c) teacher education and (d) student assessment	YES	YES
4.7.2	Percentage of schools that provide life skills-based HIV and sexuality education	NO	YES
4.7.3	Extent to which the framework on the World Programme on Human Rights Education is implemented nationally (as per the UNGA Resolution 59/113)	NO	YES
4.7.4	Percentage of students by age group (or education level) showing adequate understanding of issues relating to global citizenship and sustainability	NO	YES
4.7.5	Percentage of 15-year-old students showing proficiency in knowledge of environmental science and geoscience	NO	YES
	al areas for development: attitudes and values, life-long /non-formal, qualitative indicators	Not applicable	YES

Target 4.a Build and upgrade education facilities that are child, disability and gender sensitive and provide safe, non-violent, inclusive and effective learning environments for all	For reporting in 2017	Requires further development
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4.a.1	Proportion of schools with access to: (a) electricity; (b) Internet for pedagogical purposes; and (c) computers for pedagogical purposes	YES	
	(d) adapted infrastructure and materials for students with disabilities		YES
	(e) basic drinking water; (f) single-sex basic sanitation facilities; and (g) basic handwashing facilities (as per the WASH indicator definitions)		
4.a.2	Percentage of students experiencing bullying, corporal punishment, harassment, violence, sexual discrimination and abuse	NO	YES
4.a.3	Number of attacks on students, personnel and institutions	NO	YES
Additional areas for development: expenditure, national quality standards		Not applicable	YES
scholars develop countrie training enginee	b.b By 2020, substantially expand globally the number of ships available to developing countries, in particular least ed countries, small island developing States and African es, for enrolment in higher education, including vocational, information and communications technology, technical, ring and scientific programmes in developed countries and eveloping countries	For reporting in 2017	Requires further development
4.b.1	Volume of official development assistance flows for scholarships by sector and type of study	YES	
4.b.2	Number of higher education scholarships awarded, by beneficiary country	NO	YES
Addition	nal areas for development: support for marginalised students	Not applicable	YES



teachers training	c. By 2030, substantially increase the supply of qualified including through international cooperation for teacher in developing countries, especially least developed countries il island developing States	For reporting in 2017	Requires further development
4.c.1	Proportion of teachers in: (a) pre-primary education; (b) primary education; (c) lower secondary education; and (d) upper secondary education who have received at least the minimum organized teacher training (e.g., pedagogical training) pre-service or in-service required for teaching at the relevant level in a given country, by sex	YES	
4.c.2	Pupil-trained teacher ratio by education level	YES	
4.c.3	Proportion of teachers qualified according to national standards by education level and type of institution	YES	
4.c.4	Pupil-qualified teacher ratio by education level	YES	
4.c.5	Average teacher salary relative to other professions requiring a comparable level of qualification	NO	YES
4.c.6	Teacher attrition rate by education level	YES	
4.c.7	Percentage of teachers who received in-service training in the last 12 months by type of training	NO	YES