Human Rights Education Indicator Framework (draft)

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Lack of monitoring data on human rights education

The 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development, and Goal 4 on Quality Education and in particular target 4.7, has given new impetus for promoting human rights education. It is key for the future of human rights that the quality and extent of human rights education is advanced at the national level. To this end, monitoring and follow-up with States on their progress on human rights education is crucial.

Efficient monitoring requires operational indicators that are designed to capture the essence of the state of implementation in such a way that it becomes clear where more efforts are needed to secure effective implementation of human rights education.

This indicator framework is conceptualised as a contribution to monitoring the national implementation of the human rights education component of SDG Indicator 4.7.1 and the UN World Programme for Human Rights Education (WPHRE).

The indicator framework builds on the thematic and normative links between the four elements included in SDG Indicator 4.7.1 and the five components of the WPHRE (see text boxes), since the WPHRE is the most comprehensive internationally agreed framework that exists for human rights education. This approach operationalises the OHCHR-UNESCO self-assessment Guide for Governments regarding Human Rights Education in Primary and Secondary School Systems into measurable indicators. In other words, the WPHRE and the OHCHR-UNESCO guide on its implementation has shaped the formulation of the proposed indicators.

Expanding indicator 4.7.1 with a focus on the learning environment

One aspect of human rights education that is strongly emphasised in the WPHRE, namely the focus on the learning environment, or education through human rights, is not reflected in the four elements included in SDG indicator 4.7.1. Since this is a key element in the current approach to human rights education this indicator framework adds indicators on learning environment.

Working with the indicators

The indicator framework is designed with a primary focus on data that is immediately available from public authorities (administrative data). The criteria behind the selection of indicators have been the following:

- Indicators must be applicable across a great spectrum of varying national situations.
- Indicators must have clear links to the core elements of the WPHRE, and its operational guidance for implementation of WPHRE Phase 1 (primary and secondary school).
- Data must be available from public authorities primarily (administrative data on laws, policies, education planning and budgeting, etc.) – to make data collection feasible also in contexts where limited time and budgets are available. This also gives transparency and validity to the data.
- Indicators must address education about human rights, education through human rights and education for human rights, reflecting the core principles of human rights education.

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1 Education 2030 Framework of Action, para.7.
INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO USE THIS TOOL

This survey covers five different areas - Policy, Curricula, Teachers, Student Assessment and Learning Environment - with 4 to 7 indicators each. You should answer all indicators for all of the five areas.

Instruction 1 - How to fill out the survey

Each of the five areas has its own data entry tab where you enter your answers.

Step 1: Go to the "Data entry" tab

Each indicator has a box which contains the question and the response field, a text field for specifying sources and means of verification and a text field with conceptual clarification.

Example:

**Indicator 1: Existence of national education legislation that makes explicit reference to human rights standards, norms, principles and values in the operation of primary and secondary schools (UNESCO level 1 to 6).**

1. Yes, there are explicit references to human rights.
2. No, there are no references to human rights but there are references to relating themes (such as:

   - Civic education and citizenship
   - Democracy and justice
   - Peace and non-violence
   - Others)
3. No, there are no references to human rights
4. I don’t know

**Conceptual clarification:**

The indicator question is asking if knowledge and understanding of human rights standards, norms, principles and values are explicitly mentioned in national education legislation. This includes references to:

- The universal declaration of human rights and other international human rights standards and norms (rights as outlined in conventions, declarations, resolutions, charters, programmes);
- Human rights mechanisms (human rights courts, treaty bodies, UN committees and councils);
- Human rights principles (universalism, inalienability, indivisibility and interdependence);
- Human rights values (fundamental freedoms, non-discrimination, equality, participation, inclusion, solidarity and democracy).

The UN World Programme for Human Rights Education (UWPRE) states that human rights education is to be stated explicitly in objectives of educational policy development and reform, as well as in quality standards of education (Plan of Action, UNHRR, Appendix, para. 2).

The CRC states that “states parties agree that the education of the child shall be directed to (1) the development of respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, and of the principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations” (CRC, Art. 29.1(b)).
Most response fields have a dropdown list with an "x" or a blank option.

Choose "x" from the dropdown list to select your response. Let the other response fields remain blank.

In a few of the questions there are no drop down lists. Instead, you are asked to enter a percentage number. Like the example below where response category 3.a is selected and a percentage number of 12 % is specified.

Step 3: For each indicator please specify the sources and means of verification used to answer the question in the empty grey cell under the question.
Instruction 2 - Results

Once you have answered all the questions/indicators, charts are automatically generated. You can go to the 'Results' tab to find your charts.
### POLICY – To what extent is human rights education incorporated in national education policies?

#### Indicator 1

1. Existence of national education legislation that makes explicit reference to human rights standards, norms, principles and values in the operation of primary and secondary schools (ISCED level 1 to 2).

- **1.a** Yes, there are explicit references to human rights
- **1.b** No, there are no references to human rights but there are references to relating themes such as:
  - Civic education and citizenship
  - Democracy and justice
  - Peace and non-violence
  - Others
- **1.c** No, there are no references to human rights
- **1.d** Don’t know

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### Indicator 2

2. A national plan on human rights education that includes aspects on operationalising human rights standards, norms, principles and values in primary and secondary schools has been adopted (ISCED level 1 to 2).

- **2.a** Yes, a national plan on human rights education has been adopted
- **2.b** No, a national plan on human rights education has not been adopted
- **2.c** Don’t know

**Conceptual clarification**

Human rights education can also be included as part of a national action plan on human rights more broadly.

CRC General Comment No. 23, para. 23: “The Committee calls upon States parties to develop a comprehensive national plan of action to promote and monitor realization of the objectives listed in article 29 (1). If such a plan is drawn up in the larger context of a national action plan for children, a national human rights action plan, or a national human rights education strategy, the Government must ensure that it nonetheless addresses all of the issues dealt with in article 29 (1) and does so from a child-rights perspective.”

### Indicator 3

3. The National SDG Action Plan includes elements on operationalising human rights standards, norms, principles and values for primary and secondary school (ISCED level 1 to 2).

- **3.a** Yes, the national SDG plan includes human rights in schools
- **3.b** No, there is no references to human rights in schools in the national SDG plan
- **3.c** Don’t know

**Conceptual clarification**

Human rights standards, norms, principles and values include reference to:
- The universal declaration of human rights and other international human rights standards and norms (rights as outlined in conventions, declarations, resolutions, charters, programmes)
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Education 2030 Framework For Action calls upon States to ensure strong legal and policy frameworks that lay the foundations and conditions for the delivery and sustainability of quality education - and defines human rights education as an aspect of ‘quality education’ (Education 2030 Framework for Action, para. 17, para. 4, and Incheon Deceleration, Para. 9).
4. International instruments concerning the right to education that reflects human rights education have been ratified. (List which of the following instruments the State has ratified:)

- UNESCO Convention Against Discrimination in Education (1960)
- International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination
- International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (1966)
- Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (1979)

Sources and means of verification

Conceptual clarification

A list of the ratification status of all UN member countries can be found at OHCHR’s website: http://indicators.ohchr.org/

A list of the ratification status of UNESCO Conventions can be found at UNESCO’s website: http://portal.unesco.org/en/ev.php-URL_ID=15244&URL_DO=DO_TOPIC&URL_SECTION=201.html

5. Reference to human rights education for primary and secondary schools (ISCED level 1 to 2) is included in the latest national reports to relevant human rights monitoring mechanisms. (List to which of the following mechanisms the State has included HRE in their latest reporting:)

- UNESCO Convention Against Discrimination in Education (1960)
- International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (1965)
- International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (1966)
- Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (1979)
- The UN World Programme for Human Rights Education (2005-ongoing)
- Universal Periodic Review (UPR)

Sources and means of verification

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Submission of state reports to the WPHRE can be found at OHCHR’s website: https://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Education/Training/WPHRE/ThirdPhase/Pages/ThirdPhaseIndex.aspx

6. Proportion of public expenditure on human rights education in the last fiscal year, as a proportion of public expenditure on education or gross national income.

- The proportion in percentage is \( % \)
- Percentage of
- Human rights education is not reflected in the education budget
- Don’t know

Sources and means of verification

Conceptual clarification

The World programme for Human Rights Education (WPHRE) points towards the need for governments to adopt coherent education policies, legislation and strategies that are human rights-based - and also plan the implementation of these policies by taking appropriate organizational measures (A/59/525/Rev.1, para. 18). It furthermore states that human rights education is to be stated explicitly in objectives of educational policy development and reform, as well as in quality standards of education (Plan of Action, WPHRE, Appendix, para.2).

The 2011 UN Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training, adopted by a GA Resolution, specifies that States should develop ‘strategies, policies and, where appropriate, action plans and
7. Targeted public funding for initiatives/activities that include elements on human rights education in the education budget in the last fiscal year exists.

7.a Yes, there is targeted funding for (select which of the following):
- Human rights education
- Racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance
- Civic education and citizenship
- Democracy and justice
- Anti-bullying and anti-harassment
- LGBTQI (Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual, Transgender, Queer and Intersex)
- Others

7.b No targeted funding for human rights education or relating themes

7.c Don’t know

Sources and means of verification

Conceptual clarification

Teaching about, through and for human rights and building human rights knowledge, skills and attitude thus includes reference to Human rights standards, norms, principles and values such as:
- The universal declaration of human rights and other international human rights standards and norms (rights as outlined in conventions, declarations, resolutions, charters, programmes)
- Human rights mechanisms (human rights courts, treaty bodies, HR committees and councils)
- Human rights values (fundamental freedoms, non-discrimination, equality, participation, inclusion, solidarity and democracy).

8. Existence of a national mechanism or agency primarily responsible for human rights education.

8.a Yes
8.b No
8.c Don’t know

Sources and means of verification

Conceptual clarification

WPHRE, Plan of action, First Phase, p. 3: To be effective, policies need a consistent implementation strategy, including measures such as the allocation of adequate resources and the setting-up of coordination mechanisms, that ensures coherence, monitoring and accountability. Such a strategy should take into account the multiplicity of stakeholders at both the national level (e.g., ministry of education, teacher training institutions, research bodies, non-governmental organizations) and the local level (e.g., local government, head teachers and their staff, parents and students), and involve them in putting educational policy into practice.
1. Human rights standards, norms, principles and values are integrated in national curricula areas or subjects for primary and secondary schools (ISCED level 1 to 2).

Choose one answer

1.a Yes, human rights are explicitly mentioned in curricula (human rights are a fundamental part of learning objectives) 
1.b To some extent, human rights are integrated in curricula (human rights are a minor/insignificant part of curricula) 
1.c No, human rights are not integrated in curricula but there are references to relating themes, such as:
  - Civic education and citizenship
  - Democracy and justice
  - Peace and non-violence
  - Others
1.d No, human rights are not integrated in curricula
1.e Don’t know

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CRC General Comment No 5, para. 68: "... the Committee places special emphasis on incorporating learning about the Convention and human rights in general into the school curriculum at all stages (...)."

The World Programme on Human Rights Education calls for human rights concepts and practices to be integrated into all aspects of curricula (WPHRE, Phase 1, p. 3,4,18)

Vienna Declaration. Para 79: “The World Conference on Human Rights calls on all States and institutions to include human rights, humanitarian law, democracy and rule of law as subjects in the curricula of all learning institutions in formal and non-formal settings.”

2. General textbooks, teaching exemplars and other learning materials that integrate human rights standards, norms principles and values exist.

Choose one answer

2.a Yes, learning materials that integrate human rights exist (human rights are a fundamental part of the learning material) 
2.b To some extent, learning materials that integrate human rights exist (human rights are a minor/insignificant part of learning material) 
2.c No, learning materials do not integrate human rights but there are references to relating themes, such as:
  - Civic education and citizenship
  - Democracy and justice
  - Peace and non-violence
  - Others
2.d No, learning materials do not integrate human rights
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The World Programme on Human Rights Education calls for materials and textbooks to be consistent with human rights values (WPHRE, Phase 1, p. 3,4,18)
3. Guidelines or mechanisms for revising, as well as developing, textbooks and teaching materials are in line with the international human rights framework. 

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Conceptual clarification
The World Programme for Human Rights Education calls for (...) materials and textbooks to be consistent with human rights values. (WPHRE, Phase 1, p. 3,4,18)

International human rights framework is referring to the standards, norms, principles and values in Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) and the UN conventions. Non-discrimination is thus a core human rights principle and in order for the guidelines to be in line with the international human rights framework, the textbook material has to non-discriminatory and represent all learners, including minorities.

4. Human rights curricula for primary and secondary school (ISCED level 1 to 2) is related to the daily lives and concerns of students and their communities

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Conceptual clarification
Human rights curricula are defined as teaching about, through and for human rights and building human rights knowledge, skills and attitude thus includes reference to Human rights standards, norms, principles and values such as:
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- Human rights principles (universality, inalienability, indivisibility and interdependence)
- Human rights values (fundamental freedoms, non-discrimination, equality, participation, inclusion, solidarity and democracy).

CRC General Comment No. 1, para. 15: “Human rights education should provide information on the content of human rights treaties. But children should also learn about human rights by seeing human rights standards implemented in practice, whether at home, in school, or within the community. Human rights education should be a comprehensive, life-long process and start with the reflection of human rights values in the daily life and experiences of children.”
### Indicators

**1. Teacher education curricula include knowledge about human rights standards, norms, principles and values.**

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<td>The WPHRE calls for the introduction of human rights principles into the training curriculum of all primary and secondary school teachers, and stresses that teacher education and professional development must foster their knowledge about, commitment to and motivation for human rights (Plan of Action, WPHRE, p.4, para 5).</td>
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**2. General textbooks, teaching exemplars and other learning materials for teacher training that integrate human rights standards, norms, principles and values exist.**

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3. Didactic principles in line with the international framework for teaching human rights are included in teacher education curricula.

3.a Yes, teacher education includes didactic principles for teaching human rights education (select which of the following is included):
- about human rights
- through human rights
- for human rights
- other

3.b To some extent, didactic principles for teaching human rights education is included in curricula (minor mentioning of principles for teaching human rights are included)

3.c No, curricula do not include didactic principles for human rights education

3.d Don't know

4. Teacher education programmes contain elements on creating a learning environment in line with the international human rights framework

4.a Yes, creating a rights-based learning environment is part of teacher education (human rights principles and values are a fundamental part of education about learning environment)

4.b To some extent, creating a rights-based learning environment is part of teacher education (human rights principles and values are a minor/insignificant part of education about learning environment)

4.d No, a rights-based learning environment is not a part of teacher education

4.e Don't know

Sources and means of verification

Conceptual clarification

Didactic principles are referring to principles for the art or practice of teaching.

Human rights education is defined in the UN Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training article 2:

1. Human rights education and training comprises all educational, training, information, awareness-raising and learning activities aimed at promoting universal respect for and observance of all human rights and fundamental freedoms and thus contributing, inter alia, to the prevention of human rights violations and abuses by providing persons with knowledge, skills and understanding and developing their attitudes and behaviours, to empower them to contribute to the building and promotion of a universal culture of human rights.

2. Human rights education and training encompasses:
(a) Education about human rights, which includes Providing knowledge and understanding of human rights norms and principles, the values that underpin them and the mechanisms for their protection;
(b) Education through human rights, which includes learning and teaching in a way that respects the rights of both educators and learners;
(c) Education for human rights, which includes empowering persons to enjoy and exercise their rights and to respect and uphold the rights of others. (UN Declaration on Human Rights and Training, Art. 2, para 1 + 2)

Creating a learning environment in line with the international human rights framework means developing the learning environment based on human rights principles and values such as:

Human rights principles (universality, inalienability, indivisibility and interdependence)

Human rights values (fundamental freedoms, non-discrimination, equality, participation, inclusion, solidarity and democracy).

CRC, General Comment No. 1, para. 19: In addition, the school environment itself must thus reflect the freedom and the spirit of understanding, peace, tolerance, equality of sexes, and friendship among all peoples, ethnic, national and religious groups and persons of indigenous origin called for in article 29 (1) (b) and (d). A school which allows bullying or other violent and exclusionary practices to occur is not one which meets the requirements of article 29 (1). The term “human rights education” is too often used in a way, which greatly oversimplifies its connotations. What is needed, in addition to formal human rights education, is the promotion of values and policies conducive to human rights not only within schools and universities but also within the broader community.

CRC general Comment No. 1, para. 8: “...the article (29.1) attaches importance to the process by which the right to education is promoted [...]. This includes not only the content of the curriculum but also the educational processes, the pedagogical methods and the environment within which education takes place, whether it be the home, school or elsewhere. [...] Education must also be provided in a way that respects the strict limits on discipline in article 28(2) and promotes non-violence in school. The Committee has repeatedly made clear in its concluding observations that the use of corporal punishment does not respect the inherent dignity of the child nor the strict limits on school discipline.”
**STUDENT ASSESSMENT – to what extent do student assessments include elements on human rights?**

### Indicator 1

1. National student assessment guidelines for primary and secondary level (ISCED level 1 to 2) anchored in human rights standards and principles exist.

   **Choose one answer**

   - 1.a Yes, guidelines anchored in human rights exist (human rights are a fundamental part of guidelines)
   - 1.b To some extent, guidelines anchored in human rights exist (human rights are a minor/insignificant part of guidelines)
   - 1.c No, there is no guidelines anchored in human rights
   - 1.d Don’t know

### Conceptual clarification

- Human rights standards and principles include:
  - The universal declaration of human rights and other international human rights standards and norms (rights as outlined in conventions, declarations, resolutions, charters, programmes).
  - Human rights principles (universality, inalienability, indivisibility and interdependence).

**Sources and means of verification**

### Indicator 2

2. Student assessments of primary and secondary level (ISCED level 1 to 2) include knowledge and understanding of human rights.

   **Choose one answer**

   - 2.a Yes, student assessments include human rights (human rights are a fundamental part of assessments)
   - 2.b To some extent, student assessments include human rights (human rights are a minor/insignificant part of assessments)
   - 2.c No, student assessments do not include human rights, but assessments include relating themes, such as:
     - Civic education and citizenship
     - Democracy and justice
     - Peace and non-violence
     - Others
   - 2.d No, student assessments do not include human rights
   - 2.e Don’t know

### Conceptual clarification

- Education 2030 Framework For Action points towards the need for viable strategies to measure learning, including learning in human rights. The assumption is that improved availability of systematic, reliable and updated data and information obtained through formative and/or continuous (class-room based) assessments and summative assessments, will lead to a stronger shared understanding. This, in turn, will contribute to ensuring that all children, regardless of their circumstances, receive quality education that includes elements on human rights (Education 2030 Framework for Action, para. 33).

**Sources and means of verification**

### Indicator 3

3. Proportion of learners who have achieved learning outcomes concerning human rights standards, norms principles and values [IEA ICCS] [SEA-PLM].

   **Choose one answer**

   (specify if a)

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### Indicator 3

**3.a** The proportion in percentage of learners who have achieved learning outcomes concerning human rights standards, norms principles and values is %

**3.b** No data

**3.c** Don’t know

### Sources and means of verification

Choosing one answer (a, b or c - if a then specify for each of the listed subjects)

### Indicator 4

**4. Proportion of learners who reported feeling very anxious even if they were well prepared for a test [OECD Pisa].**

**4.a** The proportion in percentage of learners who reported feeling very anxious even if they were well prepared for a test is %

- In total %
- For girls %
- For boys %

**3.b** No data

**3.c** Don’t know

**Conceptual clarification**

This is an outcome indicator that requires a survey methodology to get data on. Some countries can find relevant data in global and regional studies, e.g. IEA ICCS and SEA-PLM that measure children’s and youth’s knowledge, skills and attitudes towards rights, democracy and citizenship.

**IEA’s International Civic and Citizenship Education Study (ICCS)**

ICCS investigates the ways in which young people are prepared to undertake their roles as citizens in a world where contexts of democracy and civic participation continue to change. It reports on students’ knowledge and understanding of concepts and issues related to civics and citizenship, as well as their beliefs, attitudes, and behaviours with respect to this domain.

[https://iccs.iea.nl/home.html](https://iccs.iea.nl/home.html)

**The Southeast Asia Primary Learning Metrics (SEA-PLM)**

SEA-PLM is a regional assessment, which seeks to set a common approach to assessing learning outcomes of Grade 5 students in global citizenship among others. [http://www.seaplm.org/seaplm/](http://www.seaplm.org/seaplm/)

Nations/areas covered by the assessment: Belgium (Flemish), Bulgaria, Chile, Chinese Taipei, Colombia, etc.

**Conceptual clarification**

This is an outcome indicator that requires a survey methodology to get data on. Some countries can find data in PISA’s study of student’s well-being. This study explores a comprehensive set of well-being indicators for adolescents that covers both negative outcomes (e.g. anxiety, low performance) and the positive impulses that promote healthy development (e.g. interest, engagement, motivation to achieve).

LEARNING ENVIRONMENT – to what extent do policies and laws provide for schools’ learning environment to reflect human rights principles and values?

**Indicator 1**
1. Public schools are required to adopt rights charter/ codes of conduct for a school free of violence, sexual abuse, harassment and corporal punishment, including procedures for resolving conflicts and dealing with violence and bullying.

   **Conceptual clarification**
   Rights charter/ codes of conduct could include policies under various names, e.g. anti-bullying laws, child protection policies, laws on corporal punishment, safe school frameworks etc.
   CRC General Comment No 5, Art. 53: "The Committee emphasizes States' obligations to develop training and capacity-building for all those involved in the implementation process (…) the purpose of training is to emphasize the status of the child as a holder of human rights, to increase knowledge and understanding of the Convention and to encourage active respect for all its provisions. The Committee expects to see the Convention reflected in professional training curricula, codes of conduct and educational curricula at all levels."

   CRC, General Comment No. 1, para. 19: In addition, the school environment itself must thus reflect the freedom and the spirit of understanding, peace, tolerance, equality of sexes, and friendship among all peoples, ethnic, national and religious groups and persons of indigenous origin called for in article 29 (1) (b) and (d). A school which allows bullying or other violent and exclusionary practices to occur is not one which meets the requirements of article 29 (1). The term “human rights education” is too often used in a way which greatly oversimplifies its connotations. What is needed, in addition to formal human rights education, is the promotion of values and policies conducive to human rights not only within schools and universities but also within the broader community.

   **Sources and means of verification**
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**Choose one answer**
1. Yes, adoption of a rights charter/ codes of conduct is required
2. No, adoption of a rights charter/ codes of conduct is not required
3. Don’t know

**Indicator 2**
2. Schools are required to have a mechanism for the students (and their parents) to file complaints.

   **Conceptual clarification**
   Complaints mechanisms could be a school ombudsman, counsellor etc.

   **Sources and means of verification**

**Choose one answer**
1. Yes, a complaints mechanism is required
2. No, a complaints mechanism is not required
3. Don’t know

**Indicator 3**
3. Schools are required to adopt non-discrimination policies protecting all members of the school community.

   **Conceptual clarification**
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   **Sources and means of verification**

**Choose one answer**
1. Yes, adoption of non-discrimination policies is required
2. No, but non-discrimination policies by federal law also applies to schools
3. No, adoption of non-discrimination policies is not required
4. Don’t know
4. Schools are required to provide all learners opportunities for self-expression, responsibilities and participation in decision-making in accordance with their age and evolving capacity (e.g. student government or council programs).

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| 4.a | Yes, student participation in decision making in schools is a requirement |
| 4.b | No, student participation in decision making in schools is not a requirement |
| 4.c | Don't know |

Sources and means of verification

5. Human rights are integrated into quality assurance standards for schools.

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| 5.a | Yes, human rights are integrated into quality assurance (human rights are a fundamental part of quality assurance) |
| 5.b | To some extent, human rights are integrated into quality assurance (human rights are a minor/insignificant part of quality assurance) |
| 5.c | No, human rights are not integrated into quality assurance |
| 5.d | Don't know |

Sources and means of verification

6. Proportion of learners who reported that they are hit or pushed around by their peers at least once per month [OECD Pisa]

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| 6.a | The proportion in percentage of learners who reported that they are hit or pushed around by their peers at least once per month is % |
| 6.b | No data |
| 6.c | Don’t know |

Sources and means of verification

7. Proportion of school community members who felt that they have a say and influence in school decision-making.

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7.a The proportion in percentage of school community members who felt that they have a say and influence in school decision-making is
7.b No data
7.c Don’t know

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RESULTS - OVERVIEW

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This chart provides an overall overview of your responses. For each of the five area a total score is calculated. The higher the score the better. The maximum score is 1 and the minimum score is 0.

The total score contains both indicators with yes/no responses, with a range of three or four responses and few with multiple choices. However, indicators where a percentage number is asked for is not included in the total score. Below it is specified which indicators that are included in the total score:

- Policy: Indicator 1-5 & 8
- Curricula: Indicator 1-4
- Teachers: Indicator 1-4
- Student Assessment: Indicator 1-2
- Learning Environment: Indicator 1-5

Each area consists of indicators with different response ranges. For some indicators, the responses are limited to yes=1 and no=0, in others a range of three or four responses (“to which extent” responses) is possible, which can take the values 0/1/2 or 0/1/2/3 respectively. Indicators with multiple choices have values from 0-1 or 0-2 according to the type of question, where the value is based on the number of selected choices out of the total number of possible choices. For a more detailed description about the multiple choice indicators see the textbox under “Indicator score by area”.

In order to create the total score for each area all the indicators are standardised to fall between 0 and 1 as follows:

\[ z = \frac{\text{actual score} - \text{theoretical min}}{\text{theoretical max} - \text{theoretical min}} \]

The total area score is then calculated as the simple mean of the indicators score/standardised score.

Since responses to indicators can include “don’t know” the total scores are based only on the other possible responses. If the majority of the indicators in an area have a “don’t know” response or is blank the total score for that area will not be calculated.

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These charts provide a more detailed overview of your responses. There is a chart for the indicators in each area. Only indicators that are included in the total area score are shown in the charts. All indicators are shown with its standardised score, where the minimum score is 0 and the maximum score is 1 (See the textbox under "Overview - Area total score"). The higher the score the better.

Below we describe indicators with multiple choice and how these are treated:

- **Policy, indicator 4 and 5:** Can have a value from 0 to 1. The value is calculated as the number of selected choices divided by the total number of possible choices. This means that if all the possible choices are selected the assigned value is 1, if only half of the possible choices are selected the value is 0.5 and so on. However, for indicator 5 the calculations are only based on the first six choices, and thus the last three choices do not affect the indicator score.

- **Teacher, indicator 3:** Can have a value from 0-2 (before standardisation). The indicator has a range of three choices - 'no'/'to some extent'/'yes'. Further, the 'yes' response has multiple choices. If the response is 'no' the value is 0, if the response is 'to some extent' the value is 1 and if the response is 'yes' the value is between 1-2 according to the number of selected choices under 'yes'. Here we only look at the first three choices under 'yes', so the last choice ('other') does not affect the indicator score. If all of the first choices are selected the value is 2, if two out of the first three choices are selected the value is 1.67 and if only one of the first three choices are selected the value is 1.33.

The chart to the left compares the selected responses for indicator 4 and 5 under the policy area. The first column shows which of the listed international instruments the State has ratified (indicator 4) and the second column shows in which of the listed mechanisms the State has included HRE in their latest reporting (indicator 5). The chart only shows the six choices that are listed for both of the indicators.

The six possible choices are (and their abbreviated names):
- **UNESCO Convention Against Discrimination in Education (1960)** = UNESCO Anti-Discrimination
- **International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (1965)** = Racial Discrimination
- **International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (1966)** = ESCR
- **Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (1979)** = Discrimination against women
- **Convention on the Rights of the Child (1989)** = Childrens rights
- **Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (2006)** = Person with Disabilities’ rights

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The three possible choices are (and their abbreviated names):

- The UN World Programme for Human Rights Education (2005-ongoing) = World Programme for HRE