



The Norwegian National Commission for UNESCO, Norad – Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation, the University of Oslo and the Norwegian Refugee Council invite you to a thematic meeting on

Youth, Skills and Work

including the *launch* of the

Education for All Global Monitoring Report 2012

Time: Tuesday 16 October 2012, 8:30 – 16:00
Wednesday 17 October 2012, 9:00 – 13:00

Venue: Oslo, Government Building R 4, Plenary Room
Entrance from Møllergata / Eva Kolstads gate

Registration with

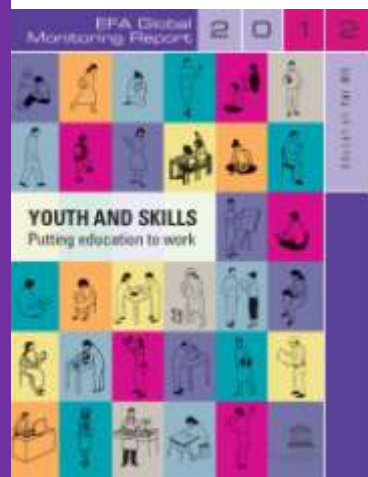
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by Wednesday 10 October 2012

Please indicate if you will be attending day 1, day 2 or both.

A light lunch and coffee/tea will be served both days.
There is no cover charge for this meeting.

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The 2012 Global Monitoring Report

Many young people around the world — especially the disadvantaged — are leaving school without the skills they need to thrive in society and find decent jobs. As well as thwarting young people's hopes, these education failures are jeopardizing equitable economic growth and social cohesion, and preventing many countries from reaping the potential benefits of their growing youth populations. The 2012 Education for All Global Monitoring Report examines how skills development programmes can be improved to boost young people's opportunities for decent jobs and better lives.

8:30 – 9:00

Registration, tea and coffee

9:15 – 9:30

Opening remarks, Kristin Halvorsen, Norwegian Minister of Education and Research
Chair: Vigdis Lian, President, Norwegian National Commission for UNESCO

Part I

Launch of the EFA Global Monitoring Report 2012

Chair: Tanja Kristine Hegge, Secretary General, Norwegian National Commission for UNESCO

9:30 – 10:15

- *Presentation of the main findings of the EFA GMR 2012*, Johanna Härmä, Research Officer, EFA GMR

10:15 – 10:45

- Panel respondents: Franklyn Lisk, Professor, Warwick University; Kurt Nilssen, Adviser, NHO (Confederation of Norwegian Enterprise); Anja Bakken Riise, Vice President, SAIH (Norwegian Students' and Academics' International Assistance Fund)

10:45 – 11:30

- Plenary discussion, followed by light lunch

Part II

Thematic meeting on Youth, Skills and Work

12:15 – 13:45

Linking Youth, Skills and Work: core issues

Chair: Lene Buchert, Professor, University of Oslo

- *Developing skills for youth employability and employment in the 21st century*, Mamadou Ndoeye, Private Consultant
- *Ensuring learning opportunities for marginalized youth*, Carolyn Medel-Anonuevo, Deputy Director, UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning
- *Current policy interest in vocational skills development and the role of research*, Jon Lauglo, Professor, University of Oslo
- Plenary discussion, followed by coffee break

14:15 – 15:45

Linking Youth, Skills and Work: barriers and examples

Chair: Helge Brochmann, Senior Education Adviser, Norad

- *A clash of generations? The effect of youth bulges on sustainable development*, Henrik Urdal, Senior Researcher, Peace Research Institute (PRIO)
- Raihan Ahmmed, Youth Representative, Save the Children Bangladesh
- *Has the NRC youth package made a difference to individual youth?* Video produced by NRC based on experiences in the field, Dean Brooks, Education Adviser, NRC (Norwegian Refugee Council)
- Plenary discussion



9:00 – 10:45

Linking Youth, Skills and Work: relevance of public/private partnerships

Chair: Franklyn Lisk, Professor, Warwick University

- *Partnerships in national education and training: basic principles and a possible approach*, Halfdan Farstad, Senior Adviser, Norwegian Ministry of Education and Research
- *How to practice public/private partnerships: the case of Uganda*, Josephine Kaleebi, CEO, Junior Achievement Uganda
- *Practicing public/private partnerships in Norwegian VET*, Inger Lise Blyverket, Member of SRY (Norwegian National Council for VET)
- Plenary discussion, followed by coffee break

11:00 – 13:00

Findings of the GMR 2012: Implications for international development cooperation

Chair: Mamadou Ndoeye, Private Consultant

- Panel respondents: Camilla Helgø-Fossberg, Head of Education Section, Norad; Temi Abimbola, Division Manager of Programme Design and Development Division, The African Development Bank; Arve Danielsen, Private Consultant, (ex) Statoil; Teeluck Bhuwanee, Head of UNEVOC Network, UNESCO-UNEVOC
- Plenary discussion

Closing remarks, (tbc), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway

13:00

Light lunch