

**40<sup>TH</sup> SESSION - UNESCO GENERAL CONFERENCE  
DELEGATES INFORMATION BUREAU**

**EDUCATION COMMISSION**

<b>Date</b>	14 November 2019	<b>Room</b>	II
<b>N° meeting</b>	2	<b>Hour</b>	From: 3pm To: 6pm
<b>Chairperson(s)</b>	Mr. Shafqat MAHMOOD (Minister of Education, Professional Training and Heritage)	<b>Country</b>	Pakistan

**SUMMARY OF DEBATE(S)**

<b>Items examined</b>	<p><b><u>Debate 1 (continued)</u></b>  <b>Item 3.1:</b> Preparation of the Draft Medium-Term Strategy for 2022-2029 (41 C/4)  <b>Item 3.2:</b> Preparation of the Draft Programme and Budget for 2022-2025 (41 C/5)  <b>Item 4.2:</b> Consideration and adoption of the Draft Programme and Budget for 2020-2021 Part. II.A: Major Programme I -Education</p> <p><b><u>Debate 2</u></b>  <b>Item 8.1:</b> Final Progress report and draft text of the Global Convention on the Recognition of Qualifications concerning Higher Education</p> <p><b><u>Debate 3</u></b>  <b>Item 5.18:</b> UNESCO's global/regional coordination of and support for the implementation of SDG 4 – Education 2030  <b>Item 5.11:</b> UNESCO Strategy for Youth and Adult Literacy (2020 - 2025)  <b>Item 5.9:</b> Framework for the implementation of ESD beyond 2019  <b>Item 5.36:</b> Contribution of the Earth Charter to UNESCO activities concerning ESD</p>		
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<b>Related documents</b>	<p><b><u>Debate 1</u></b>  40 C/NOM/1 and Add.  40 C/COM.ED/1 Prov.  40 C/11  40 C/INF.18  40 C/7  40 C/5  40 C/6 and Addendum</p> <p><b><u>Debate 2</u></b>  40 C/31</p> <p><b><u>Debate 3</u></b>  40 C/61  40 C/25  40 C/23  40 C/80</p>		
<b>DRs examined</b>	Debate 1 – 40 C/DR.1		

<p><b>Countries that took floor</b></p>	<p><b><u>Debate 1</u></b> Uganda, Kenya, Canada, Switzerland, Sweden, Finland, Norway, France, Germany, Russian Federation, Denmark, Latvia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Belgium, People's Republic of China, Iceland, Netherlands, Bhutan, Republic of Korea, Nigeria, Ghana, United Kingdom, India, Austria, Turkey and Poland. <b>*N.B.</b> The listed Member States took the floor in the first meeting. Once the session reconvened at 3pm, ADG/ED responded to Member States' questions.</p> <p><b><u>Debate 2</u></b> South Africa, Norway, Russian Federation, New Zealand, Belgium, Poland, Sweden, France, Canada, Germany, Finland, Kenya, People's Republic of China, Hungary, Mozambique, Uganda, Senegal, Republic of Korea, Latvia, Brazil, Cuba, Japan, Italy, Australia, Iceland, Indonesia, Turkey, Portugal, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Democratic People's Republic of Korea and Greece.</p> <p><b>Observers:</b> Holy See, Education International, United Nations University.</p> <p><b><u>Debate 3</u></b> Belgium, Norway, Switzerland, Poland, Denmark, Germany, France, New Zealand, Russian Federation, Kenya, Sweden, Finland, Latvia, China, Mozambique, Republic of Korea and Cuba. <b>*N.B.</b> The next set of Member States on the List of Speakers will have an opportunity to take the floor at 10am on Friday, 15 November.</p>
<p><b>Summary of debate</b></p>	<p><b><u>Debate 1</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>26 Member States took the floor in the first meeting in the morning of 15 November.</li> <li>The ED Commission approved the relevant resolutions related to Item 4.2: Consideration and adoption of the Draft Programme and Budget for 2020-2021 Part. II.A: Major Programme I – Education</li> </ol> <p><b><u>Debate 2</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>31 Member States took the floor, in addition to 3 Observers.</li> <li>Following a fruitful debate and a remarkable moment, the ED Commission adopted the draft resolution on Item 8.1: Final Progress report and draft text of the Global Convention on the Recognition of Qualifications concerning Higher Education 40 C/31.</li> </ol> <p><b><u>Debate 3</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>During this debate Member States emphasized UNESCO's leading role in the Education-2030 Agenda, in particular, on thematic areas related to literacy and ESD. The debate had to come to a close due to time, but will continue on Friday, 15 November at 10am.</li> <li>17 Member States have taken the floor thus far. The session was adjourned at 6:10pm</li> </ol>

**DETAILS NEXT MEETING**

<p><b>Date</b></p>	<p>15 November</p>	<p><b>Room</b></p>	<p>II</p>
<p><b>N° meeting</b></p>	<p>3</p>	<p><b>Hour</b></p>	<p>From: 10am To: 1pm</p>
<p><b>Items to be examined</b></p>	<p><b><u>Debate 3 (continuation)</u></b> <b>Item 5.18:</b> UNESCO's global/regional coordination of and support for the implementation of SDG 4 – Education 2030 <b>Item 5.11:</b> UNESCO Strategy for Youth and Adult Literacy (2020 - 2025) <b>Item 5.9:</b> Framework for the implementation of ESD beyond 2019 <b>Item 5.36:</b> Contribution of the Earth Charter to UNESCO activities concerning ESD</p>		

	<p><b><u>Debate 4</u></b>  <b>Item 9.1:</b> Consolidated report on the implementation of the 2015 Recommendation on Adult Learning and Education  <b>Item 9.2:</b> Consolidated report on the implementation of the 2015 Recommendation concerning TVET  <b>Item 9.3:</b> Consolidated report on the implementation of the 1993 Recommendation on the Recognition of Studies and Qualifications in Higher Education  <b>Item 5.27:</b> Towards a global classification framework for teacher policy dialogue – Developing an International Standard Classification for teacher training programmes, ISCED-T</p>		
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<b>Related documents</b>	<p><b><u>Debate 3</u></b>  40 C/61  40 C/25  40 C/23  40 C/80</p> <p><b><u>Debate 4</u></b>  40 C/33  40 C/34  40 C/35  40 C/69</p>		
<b>DRs to be examined</b>			