International Task Force on Teachers for Education 2030

13th Policy Dialogue Forum
Kigali, Rwanda
2-3 December 2021

Programme
OVERVIEW

Introduction

This year, the 13th Policy Dialogue Forum of the International Task Force on Teachers for Education 2030 (TTF) will take place from 2-3 December 2021 in Kigali, Rwanda and on-line. Jointly organized by the TTF Secretariat, and the Ministry of Education of the Republic of Rwanda, the over-arching theme of this year’s policy dialogue forum is **Innovation in teacher policy and practice for educational recovery** with particular attention to innovation in: i) teaching and learning (ii) initial and in-service teacher education and (iii) education policy.

As the engine of improvement in education, innovation is a critical factor for education to be inclusive, equitable and of good quality; it thus needs to be at the heart of education policies and policy making. The 2021 Policy Dialogue Forum will bring together education stakeholders from around the world, both in-person and on-line, to discuss the complexities of the post-COVID era and identify how to ‘build back better’ and ensure that education systems harness and expand collective capabilities for innovation. It will generate policy recommendations for ministries, civil society organisations, international organisations and donors that support teachers, school leaders, teacher educators and policy-makers.

Objectives

The Policy Dialogue Forum aims to raise awareness among members of the TTF and education stakeholders more broadly on crucial issues for the implementation of the teacher target in SDG 4 and the Education 2030 agenda, with the ultimate goal to improve learning and the provision of equitable and quality education for all.

The Forum promotes participatory approaches, dialogue, and exchanges of experience in evidence-based teacher policy formulation and implementation. In accordance with the TTF’s three Main Lines of Action, the overall objectives of the 2021 Policy Dialogue Fora are:

- to advocate for greater support for teachers through innovative policy and practices and promote a shared vision and understanding among members of the TTF and key education stakeholders;
- to generate knowledge and expertise in relation to innovation for teachers and teaching, including through best practice and cost-effective interventions, which can help increase the number of qualified and supported teachers and improve teaching worldwide;
- promote knowledge sharing, cooperation across diverse geographical contexts and exchange of experiences and challenges in innovation between TTF members and beyond.
# Draft Programme

## 2 December (Kigali time)

### Policy Dialogue Forum - Day 1

**Opening – High-Level Teacher Summit (plenary)**

Moderators (co-hosts) introductions:

- Minister of Education, Rwanda
- Assistant Director-General for Education, UNESCO

**Dignitaries (tbc):**

- President of Rwanda
- UNESCO Director General

**High-Level Segment – Teacher Innovations for the Future:**

- African Union Commissioner Human Resources, Science and Technology
- DDG for the European Union INTPA
- Minister of Education, Norway
- Minister of Education, Saudi Arabia
- Teacher Testimony: 2021 Varkey Global Teacher Prize winner
- Keynote address – Linda Darling Hammond

### 9.30-11.00

**Coffee break**

### 11.00-12.00

**Plenary panel 1: Innovations in Teaching and Learning**

A Panel discussion reflecting on the current state of innovation in teaching and learning, lessons learned from past experiences, and how innovation in teaching and learning can be encouraged, recognised and sustained.

**Moderator:** Hugh Delaney, UNICEF Rwanda

**Participants:**

- Chan Chun Sing, Minister for Education, Singapore (tbc).
- Gaspard Twagirayezu, Minister of State in Charge of Primary and Secondary Education, Rwanda.
- António Nóvoa, Professor and former Rector of the University of Lisbon.

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1 Some listed speakers are pending confirmation
13.00-13.30 Lunch

13.30-15.00 Breakout sessions 1 – Teaching and learning

Session 1.1 - Teacher Development through Digital Skills and Open Learning Opportunities in Africa (UNESCO-IICBA & Rwanda Basic Education Board)  
Session 1.2 - The Value of Play Based Learning for Education Recovery (VVOB & UNICEF)  
Session 1.3 - Leadership in Education: “From the Classroom to the Cabinet Office” (Global School Leaders & Varkey Foundation)

15.00-15.30 Coffee break

15.30-16.30 Innovation / networking space

16.30-17.30 Plenary panel 2: Innovations in Teacher Education  
A Panel discussion reflecting on the current state of innovation in teacher education, lessons learned from past experiences, and how innovation in teacher education can be encouraged and supported.

Moderator: Freda Wolfenden, Professor of Education and International Development. Open University.

Participants:
- Liina Kersna, Minister of Education, Estonia.
- Maria Victoria Angulo, Minister of Education, Colombia.
- Gerald Letendre, Professor of Education and International Affairs, Penn State University, U.S.A.
- Prof. Professor ZHANG Minxuan, Shanghai Normal University.
- Teacher representative (tbc).

Evening

Official reception hosted by the Government of Rwanda  
Kigali
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<td>● Lucy Crehan, Teacher, Author of <em>Cleverlands: The secrets behind the success of the world’s education superpowers</em>.</td>
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