

E-9 Senior Official Meeting

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E-9 Senior Official Meeting Jakarta, Indonesia, 22-24 October 2008 General Information 1. Background The meeting was organized to follow up of the Seventh Ministerial Review Meeting held in Bali last March 2008 on the Improvement of Teacher Education and Training as a Focus of Educational System Reform. The E-9 Senior Officials Meeting will be organized in the framework of E-9 commitments to reach Dakar Goals and as the recommendation of the Seventh Ministerial Review Meeting in Bali.

2. Objective As stated in the Bali Declaration of the Seventh E-9 Ministerial Review Meeting, 10-12 March 2008, a Senior Officials Meeting to be organized by the Chair, the Republic of Indonesia, in close cooperation with the Federal Republic of Nigeria. The main objective of this follow up meeting is to discuss build consensus on Teacher Education as a main theme for the programme agenda of the next E-9 Ministerial Review Meeting to be held in Nigeria in 2010 in support of the implementation of the Bali Declaration. Under this objective the Senior Officials meeting would strengthen collaboration among E-9 countries and revitalize South-South cooperation on areas of similar concern among E-9 Countries and to suggest programmes agenda for the HLG Meeting to be held in Oslo, 16 – 18 December 2008.

3. Expected Outcomes The expected outcomes of the meeting are as follows:

- To build collaborative programmes among E-9 countries, mainly on Teacher Education and Training and ICT and ODL in teacher education/training delivery to facilitate the achievement of EFA goals;
- Identification and exploration of proposed actions, roles and modalities of UNESCO and other partner countries in South-South cooperation (beyond teacher training);
- To build consensus on the necessary future commitment of donors in order to achieve national education goals;
- To have consensus on the programmes and agenda to be proposed to HLG Meeting;
- To discuss and agree on the dates, agenda and venue of the next Ministerial Review Meeting to be held in Nigeria in 2010

4. Participants of the Meeting Participants are Senior Officials of E-9 participating countries, interested donor countries and Funding Agencies as well as UNESCO Officials in charge of Education in the Respective E-9 countries. The deadline of sub meeting nomination is 15 October, 2008.

5. Organizer The Meeting is organized by the Ministry of National Education of the Republic of Indonesia in cooperation with UNESCO.

6. Date and venue of the Meeting The Meeting will be held from 22 to 24 October, 2008.

The venue is in Jakarta in the Ministry of National Education, 18th floor of D Building, Jl. Pintu I Senayan, Jakarta.

7. Working language The working language of the Meeting will be English. All relevant documents and information will be distributed in English.

8. Travel and accommodation The travel and accommodation costs are to be covered by the participants. Local transportation will be provided for participants on arrival from the airport to the hotel and on departure from the hotel to the airport. Recommended Hotels nearest to the meeting venue:

Sultan Hotel Jakarta

Price for Deluxe Room: US\$ 100 per night

Address:

Jl. Gatot Subroto, PO Box 3315

Jakarta 10002 Indonesia

Phone: (62-21) 5703600

Fax: (62-21) 5706872

Website: www.sultanjakarta.com

Fifteen minutes distance from the venue.

Hotel Atlet Century Park Jakarta:

Price for Superior Room: US\$ 70 per night

Address:

Jl. Pintu 1 Senayan, Jakarta 10270 Indonesia

Phone: (62-21) 5712041

Fax: (62-21) 5712191

Website: www.atletcentury.com Five minutes distance from the venue. Transportation will be provided for those who stay in Sultan Hotel.

The organizing committee will assist in the booking of Hotel as requested.

9. Passport and Visa Requirements, Insurance All participants should have a passport which is valid for at least 6 months. For more information about visas we invite you to visit the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Indonesia (<http://www.deplu.go.id>). For any other questions concerning entry visas, please contact us. All the participants should also obtain comprehensive travel insurance in their country prior to their departure.

10. Visa Arrangement Free visa length of stay maximum 30 days could be issued to participants from the following

countries: Brunei, Ecuador, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam and Morocco. Visa on arrival length of stay maximum 30 days could be issued to participants from the following countries: Australia, Bangladesh, Brazil, Egypt, France, Germany, India, Iran, Ireland, Japan, Laos, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Mexico, Norway, New Zealand, Nigeria, The Netherlands, Pakistan, Republic of China, Republic of Korea and United States. Those who need visa on arrival should provide the organizer the following information: Name, Sex, Date and Place of Birth, Nationality, Passport Number, Date and Place of Issue and Date of Expiry.

11. Correspondence and Contacts All correspondence should be addressed to:

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12. Opening Ceremony The official Opening Ceremony will take place at 09.00 on Wednesday, 22 October 2008. The participants are expected to wear formal dress during the opening ceremony (long-sleeve batik shirt is considered formal dress in Indonesia).

13. Currency The currency in Indonesia is the Indonesian Rupiah (Rp); One US dollar is equivalent to approximately Rp 9.000,00 or more (floating exchange rate).

14. Climate and Clothing Indonesia enjoys a tropical climate with 2 seasons. Dry season is from April to October, rainy season from October to March. 25 – 30 degree Celsius. Clothing: light cotton and silk clothes are most comfortable to wear in this warm climate.

15. Electric Current The electric current in Indonesia is 220 Volt A/C. Delegates who travel with electric appliances should carry a plug-adaptor kit.

16. Time Zone The zone for Jakarta is GMT +7 hours.

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- Invitation of E-9 Senior Official Meeting, Jakarta 22-24 October 2008
- Tentative Schedule of E-9 Senior Official Meeting, Jakarta 22-24 October 2008

- Registration Form of E-9 Senior Official Meeting, Jakarta 22-24 October 2008
- Matrix of Follow-up to the Bali Declaration
- Bali Declaration of the E-9 Countries