

THE INVESTMENT CASE FOR EDUCATION

Side event co-organized by the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, Norway,
the Republic of Korea and UNESCO

Tuesday, 14 July 2015, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Elilly Hotel, Gada Hall

Abstract

This side event, co-organized by UNESCO and the governments of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, Norway and the Republic of Korea, will present the case for increased and more efficient financing of education as an imperative to reach the proposed SDG 4 by 2030. The event will build on the World Education Forum in Incheon, Rep. of Korea, in May and the Summit on Education for Development in Oslo, Norway, in July, and will convey key messages from these assemblies to the Financing for Development Conference. The Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia and the Republic of Korea will share their respective experiences and lessons learnt in financing education. The Global Partnership for Education will share experiences on global cooperation in education.

The programme will:

- present the “investment case” for education and demonstrate how catalytic and results-oriented development and effective partnerships can bring economic, social and environmental dividends in the long term;
- illustrate, based on recent data and needs analyses, the imperative for increased investment in education for development as well as the consequences of non-action;
- showcase success stories of country-led initiatives with increased domestic resource mobilisation alongside efficient development cooperation; and
- discuss the experiences to date of global cooperation on education finance.