

GE 2050 AGENDA

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Programme

For a full list of speakers, panelists and high-level guests, please see [here](#)

DAY ONE, 3RD NOVEMBER

09:00 – 09:30

Registration and coffee

09:30 – 10:15

Welcome and Opening Statements (45 minutes)

Mr. Colm Brophy TD, Minister for Overseas Development and Diaspora, Ireland
Mr. Franz Fayot, Minister for Development Cooperation, Luxembourg
Mr. Bjørn Berge, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe
Ms. Stefania Giannini, UNESCO Assistant Director-General for Education (video)
Ms. Mamusu Patricia Massaquoi, Deputy Minister of Education, Sierra Leone
Prof. Annette Scheunpflug, Chairperson, GENE

10:15 – 10:35

Keynote Address: Global Education and Transformation (20 min)

Dr. Leonardo Garnier, UN SG's Advisor for the Transforming Education Summit

10:35 – 11:30

Panel 1: Putting Global Education at the heart of learning – policy coherence and public engagement (55 min)

How can we embed GE in education systems and encourage public engagement with foreign and development policies?

Moderator: Mr. Michael Gaffey, Director General, Irish Aid/DFA, Ireland

Panellists: Dr. Minna Kelhä, Director General, EDUFI, Finland

Mr. Luca Maestriperi, Director, Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

Prof. Arjen Wals, Professor of Transformative Learning for Socio-Ecological Sustainability, Wageningen University, The Netherlands

Mr. Peter Butchkov, Acting Dep. Minister, Youth and Sports, Bulgaria

Mr. John Concannon, Director General, Global Ireland/DFA, Ireland

11:30 – 11:45

Coffee (15 min)

11:45 – 12:45

Panel 2: The GE2050 Declaration - Uniting in Diversity for a Common Vision (60 min)

The term Global Education is used to bring together differing but related concepts and traditions. The new Declaration process has involved different stakeholders in developing a common vision. This panel will explore the potential to join concepts and align strategies for GE in Europe and beyond.

Moderator: Ms. Ida McDonnell, Team Lead, OECD Development Co-operation Report & Data for Development.

Panellists: Ms. Anja Fortuna, Vice President, European Youth Forum

Mr. Rilli Lappalainen, President, CONCORD

Ms. Mary Hanafin, Cathaoirleach, Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council

Ms. Lydia Ruprecht, Team Leader, Global Citizenship Education, UNESCO

Prof. Oscar Jara, Director, Centre for Popular Education, Costa Rica



12:45 – 13:45	Lunch (60 min)
13:45 – 14:30	Parallel Sessions Round 1 (45 min) Two rounds of four parallel sessions: Stakeholder-led, focus on sharing good practice, on common possibilities and on perspectives on follow-up to the Congress and the implementation of the Declaration. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Civil Society Organisations• Policy-Focused Research• Local and Regional Governments• GENE Roundtable policymakers (closed session)
Foyer open space for bilateral meetings	
14:30 – 14:45	Transition (15 min)
14:45 – 15:30	Parallel Sessions Round 2 (45 min) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Youth• Formal-Education• Adult and Community Education• Global Critical Friends (closed session)
Foyer open space for bilateral meetings	
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee (30 min)
16:00 – 16:50	Panel 3: Delivering quality Global Education for all people in Europe – improving reach and exploring new paradigms (50 min) This panel will focus on how GE can embrace innovation, engage non-traditional audiences, and encourage/develop new partnerships. Moderator: Mr. Kieran McLoughlin, Venturewave Panellists: Mr. David McNair, Executive Director, ONE campaign Ms. Ilenia Ventroni, Policy Officer, Solidar and Lifelong learning platform Dr. Libby Giles, Education Director, Centres of Asia-Pacific Excellence, University of Waikato, New Zealand Prof. Joe O’Hara, President, EERA Dr. Marlene Simeon, Director of PLATFORMA and Director at the Council of European Municipalities and Regions Mr. Rares Voicu, Board Member, OBESSU
16:50 – 17:00	Interactive reflections on DAY 1 (10 min) Mr. Liam Wegimont, Executive Director, GENE
17:30	Reception with light dinner
19:00	Dinner for Ministers/Heads of Delegation



DAY TWO, 4TH NOVEMBER	
09:00 - 09:20	Arrivals and Coffee (30 min)
09:20 – 09:30	Opening statements (10 mins) Mr. Ban Ki Moon, former UN Secretary General (video) Ms. Jutta Urpilainen, European Commissioner for International Partnerships (video) Chaired by Prof. Annette Scheunpflug, GENE Chairperson
09:30 – 10:15	Interactive Session: Ministers/Heads of Delegation in dialogue with stakeholders (45 min) How can Governments, civil society, youth, LRG and other stakeholders work, in their own realms, and together, to deliver the vision of the Dublin Declaration? Chaired by Mr. Colm Brophy TD, Minister for Overseas Development and Diaspora, Ireland with Co-Chair Mr. Franz Fayot, Minister for Development Cooperation, Luxembourg. Streamed to Plenary from the Ministerial Room
10:15 – 11.45	Ministerial discussion: The implications of the Dublin Declaration for Education, Foreign Policy and Development Cooperation, including national commitments (90 min) Statements and perspectives from European countries. Chaired by Mr. Colm Brophy TD, Minister for Overseas Development and Diaspora, Ireland. Streamed to Plenary from the Ministerial Room
Parallel networking session 10:15 – 11:45 While the Ministerial sessions, including national statements, will be livestreamed into the plenary; in parallel, there will be a structured networking session for those who wish to partake, in the Printworks foyer space and side rooms.	
11:45 – 12:00	Adoption of the European Declaration on Global Education to 2050 (15 min) Streamed to Plenary from the Ministerial Room
12:00 – 12:30	Coffee
12:30 – 13:00	Global Education and the Future - Closing Addresses (30 min) Mr. Colm Brophy TD, Minister for Overseas Development and Diaspora, Ireland Mr. Franz Fayot, Minister for Development Cooperation, Luxembourg Prof. Annette Scheunpflug, Chairperson, and Mr. Liam Wegimont, Executive Director, GENE
Finale with Music Generation Waterford Performing Group (and perhaps a surprise guest or two)	
Group Photo	

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