

Global Education Network Europe (GENE)

GENE is the network of ministries, agencies and other bodies with responsibility for Global Education policy, strategy, funding and co-ordination at national level in European countries.

Starting in 2001 with six countries, GENE has grown to include over 40 agencies from 25 European countries, sharing policy learning through networking.



Networking Ministries, Agencies and other bodies with national responsibility for Global Education in Europe.

GENE aims

- To share experience and strategies among existing and emerging national actors, in order to inform practice and provide mutual support and learning.
- To disseminate learning from participating countries so that structures for Global Education subsequently emerging can learn from this experience.
- To develop and pursue coherence and a common European agenda on strengthening Global Education.

GENE's work

GENE works towards the day when all people in Europe - in solidarity with people globally - will have access to quality Global Education. GENE supports national structures in their work to improve quality and increase provision of Global Education through the following initiatives and programmes:

- Regular Roundtables
- Peer Reviews and National Reports
- Tailor-made Support and Capacity Building for Ministries and Agencies
- Global Education Innovation Award
- Policy Learning and Research
- ANGEL - Academic Network on Global Education and Learning

Global Education

GENE uses the term Global Education (GE) in its work. The definition GE that GENE uses is taken from the 2002 Maastricht Declaration on Global Education in Europe:

Global Education is education that opens people's eyes and minds to the realities of the world, and awakens them to bring about a world of greater justice, equity and human rights for all.

GE is understood to encompass Development Education, Human Rights Education, Education for Sustainability, Education for Peace and Conflict Prevention and Intercultural Education; being the global dimensions of Education for Citizenship.

While using the term Global Education, GENE pays particular attention to development education and welcomes the use of related terms.



GENE participants at a Roundtable event

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