

Executive Summary

The 5th Equitable Education Alliance (EEA) Meeting: Identify Opportunities for EEA Activities 21st October 2022

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- I. Summary of Challenges in Implementing Equitable Education Discussion
 - 1. Lack of a satisfied approach for creating changes in equitable education. The first obstacle addressed indicates insufficient data and actions. The meeting suggested addressing the proper source of data, for instance, quantifying the magnitude of the problem, finding the authentic underlying cause, breaking down results in the geographical area, and measuring quality in education that reflects 21st century skills. Additionally, a mechanism that reassures equity in every process is also crucial.
 - Availability of funds in the political and cultural departments. The short lifespan of a
 political position is a consequence of the demand for a quick-win policy and quick-result
 outcome which does not benefit the long-term impact of education. The prioritization of
 equitable education to the political agenda is also challenging for ground-working
 education practitioners.
 - 3. **Universal access to education, especially for vulnerable children.** The high quality of education in all classrooms is important. Correspondingly, a guarantee mechanism for continuity in education is another concern.
 - 4. **Evidence-based classroom practices.** These practices encourage high-quality education for every child. Nevertheless, unpacking the evidence-based findings to ensure understanding in classroom practices is something to bear in mind.
 - 5. **Equitable education in the digital era.** The widening gap of inequity in the digital era expresses the need for social protection. Political movements on human rights in Latin America convey a high impact, highlighting the social protection issue to bridge the gap.

II. Future Collaboration

6. The Equitable Education Hub (EquityEdHub) website is equitable education dedicated to the partnership of the EEA network. Equity-ed.net provides key resources on equitable education where visitors will gain new knowledge, connect with the community and lead changes in equitable education. Inputs from members are welcome for the website as the desire to broaden the network and produce a practice hub was mentioned by members in the presentations.



- 7. Despite the difficulty to demonstrate the impact of equitable education, the floor shared **tactics**, including the 5-key-slide pitch strategy that has been proven to be a model standard to successfully pitch the cases to stakeholders.
- 8. **The EEA Secretariat** echoed the unconventional approach to create success, including 1) high-quality data analytics, 2) tools like economics, data science, and science of learning, and 3) all-for-education approach from all levels, 4) research-based and evidence-based policy advocacy, and 5) effective and concise communication tactics to the right decision-makers. Additionally, the EEA Secretariat proposed common lessons learned, active agenda, and challenges conjointly shared on a trusting basis that will push forward the network.
- 9. The 6th EEA Meeting is tentatively in 2023.