



Programme

Conference on Education for All in Europe and North America

6 to 8 February 2000
Warsaw, Poland

Polish National
Commission for UNESCO,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

International
Consultative Forum
on Education for All
convened by UNDP,
UNESCO, UNFPA, UNICEF
and the World Bank



Conference on Education for All in Europe and

Saturday, 5 February

AFTERNOON

Registration of participants at the Hotel Victoria Inter-Continental
Distribution of finalized programme

EVENING

Welcome cocktail

Sunday, 6 February

MORNING

Plenary session

- ❑ Opening of the conference by Professor Mirosław Handke, Polish Minister of Education
- ❑ Overview of Education for All in Europe and North America
- ❑ Focus on trends in Western Europe and North America based on the education for all sub-regional synthesis
- ❑ Focus on trends in Central and Eastern Europe based on the education for all sub-regional synthesis
- ❑ Presentation of the Draft Global Framework for Action of the World Education Forum (Dakar, 26-28 April 2000)

Lunch

AFTERNOON

Plenary session

- ❑ Discussion and comments on the Draft Global Framework for Action



Monday, 7 February

MORNING Roundtables

- 1 Planning and management of basic education
Organizer: World Bank
- 2 Laying the foundations of lifelong learning. Organizers:
The European Commission and the UNESCO Institute for Education
- 3 Early childhood education and development
Organizer: UNICEF

Lunch

AFTERNOON Roundtables

- 4 Education and Work. Organizer: OECD
- 5 Education, poverty and exclusion. Organizer: the Russian Federation
- 6 Democratic Citizenship in the Context of Multiculturalism
Organizer: UNESCO

Tuesday, 8 February

MORNING Plenary session

- ▣ Teachers and basic education: education panel
- ▣ Oral report on conference proceedings and summary of roundtables
- ▣ Presentation of the draft Regional Framework for Action for Europe and North America

Lunch

AFTERNOON Plenary session

- ▣ Discussion on the draft Regional Framework for Action
- ▣ Adoption of the Regional Framework for Action
- ▣ Closing ceremony

The Objectives

Over 300 participants will gather in Warsaw to assess the state of basic education in Europe and North America. Ministers of education and of foreign and social affairs from some forty countries and several non-governmental organizations, education specialists and policy-makers will analyse this assessment based on some thirty-five national reports. They will subsequently adopt a Regional Framework for Action.

The International Consultative Forum on Education for All

The International Consultative Forum on Education for All – organizer of the Warsaw Conference in collaboration with the Polish National Commission for UNESCO – was created in the wake of the World Conference on Education for All, in Jomtien, (Thailand, 1990). It is co-sponsored by UNDP, UNESCO, UNFPA, UNICEF and the World Bank. At that gathering, 155 governments, supported by 33 intergovernmental bodies and 125 non-governmental organizations, pledged to provide their citizens with quality basic education.

From Warsaw to Dakar

Ten years after Jomtien the EFA 2000 assessment of basic education worldwide will be presented at the World Education Forum in Dakar (Senegal, 26-28 April 2000). The Warsaw conference and five other regional conferences constitute an indispensable lead up to this international event. Following a review of country findings, each conference will define its own strategies to be included in the Dakar Global Framework for Action.

Venue

The Conference on Education for All in Europe and North America will be held from 6 to 8 February 2000 at the Hotel Victoria Inter-Continental, Warsaw, Poland. Located in the centre of the Polish capital, this hotel is 15 km. from the airport.

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