

Name of Centre	Regional Centre for Early Childhood Care and Education in the Arab States (RCECCE), Damascus, Syrian Arab Republic	
Year of creation	2010	
UNESCO focal point	Hegazi Idris, UNESCO Regional Bureau for Education in the Arab States, and Office in Beirut	
Statutes and agreements	35 C/Resolution 18 – October 2009	
Thematic specialization	Early childhood care and education	
Geographic coverage	Arab States region	
Is the agreement in compliance with UNESCO's integrated comprehensive strategy (35 C/22 and Corr.) adopted at the 35 th session of UNESCO's General Conference in 2009?	Yes	
Governing Board	Currently being established	
UNESCO staff detached	None	
Financial contributions	2010-2011	
	Regular programme	US\$ 45,000
	Extra-budgetary	US \$40,000
	Total	US \$85,000
	Centre or Institute's Budget and sources of financing	US \$600,000 from Government sources
	Has the Institute or Centre been audited, if yes by whom and what were the results?	No
Contribution to UNESCO's programme results at the Main Lines of Action (MLA) level in the 35 C/5	MLA 2 – From early childhood to the adult years: building effective education systems	
Does the institute or centre contribute to the implementation of a UNESCO sector strategy, if yes, please indicate how?	The Centre played an important part in organizing a high-level Regional Preparatory Conference for the 2010 World Conference on Early Childhood Care and Education (Moscow).	

<p>Was a review carried out by UNESCO on the Centre/Institute's contribution to the Strategic Programme Objectives of the Organization prior to the expiration of the Institute/Centre's agreement? If yes, please provide a short synopsis of the results of this review (no more than 100 words max)</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>Last external evaluation</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>Has this centre/institute promoted best practices in promoting South-South, North-South and triangular cooperation, if yes, please provide a brief synopsis (100 words max)</p>	<p>In 2010, the Centre was active in promoting South-South, as well as North-South collaboration by exchanging success stories and developing latest trends in the area of ECCE with the UNESCO Regional Bureau in Beirut. The highlight of this joint cooperation was the organization of the high-level Regional Preparatory Conference on ECCE, which took place in Damascus in September 2010.</p>