



**Celebration of the International Mother Language Day 2016  
- 22 February 2016 -**

***Quality education, language(s) of instruction and learning outcomes***

**Agenda**

**10 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Room IX, UNESCO**

**10 a.m. - Session 1                      Official Opening**

Moderator: Ms Lydia Ruprecht, Team Leader for Global Citizenship Education within the Section of Education for Sustainable Development and Global citizenship, UNESCO

- Welcome remarks: Ms Al-Nashif Nada, Assistant Director-General for Social and Human Sciences, UNESCO
- Speech: H.E. Mr M. Shahidul Islam, Ambassador of Bangladesh to France and Permanent Delegate to UNESCO
- Speech, Mr Adama Ouane, Administrateur, Organisation internationale de la Francophonie (OIF)

**11 to 12.30 a.m. - Session 2    **Quality education, language(s) of instruction and learning outcomes - Presentations and discussion****

Moderator: Ms Noro Andriamizeza, Programme Specialist, UNESCO Education Sector

- Mr Aaron Benavot, Director, Global Education Monitoring Report (GEM): *Launch of the Policy Paper on Languages "If you don't understand, how you can learn?"* UNESCO Education Sector

- Mr Hamidou Seydou Hanafiou, Coordinator “Initiative ELAN”, Organisation internationale de la Francophonie (OIF):  
*Impact of languages of instruction on learning*
- Mr Fabian Charles: Club Radio France internationale (RFI)  
*Creole languages and languages of instruction*
- Ms Irmgarda Kasinskaite-Buddeberg, Programme Specialist, UNESCO  
Communication and information Sector  
*Promotion of quality education through the UNESCO Atlas of Languages in Danger*
- Discussion and conclusion

Interpretation English-French will be made available

1 to 2 pm. Cocktail