NEQMAP CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

Promoting Transversal Competencies across Curriculum, Pedagogy and Assessment

Background
The Network on Education Quality Monitoring in the Asia-Pacific (NEQMAP) Secretariat at UNESCO Bangkok, in collaboration with Global Resources for Assessment Curriculum and Evaluation (GRACE), the Bureau of Educational Assessment of the Department of Education (DepEd-BEA) Philippines, Brookings Institution and with the generous support of the Global Partnership for Education (GPE), will organise a four-day workshop from 16 to 19 September 2019 in Manila, Philippines.

The theme of the workshop is ‘Promoting Transversal Competencies (TVC) across curriculum, pedagogy and assessment’. The workshop is designed to ensure that participants have sufficient understanding of the nature of the competencies in order for them to analyse their implications for curriculum reform, pedagogical approaches, and assessment design. With these understandings, participants will be better equipped to analyse implementation paths consequent upon inclusion of the competencies agenda within national education policy.

In order to achieve the workshop goals, the following topics will be engaged with:

- The adoption of the competencies by national ministries of education
- The nature of the competencies
- Models of integration within curricula
- Teaching of the competencies
- Assessment of the competencies
- Review of teacher education curricula with reference to transversal competencies.

Objectives
The workshop is designed to achieve the following learning outcomes for participants:

- Understanding of the implications of the nature of TVC for policy alignment
- Understanding of the implications of the nature of TVC for classroom practice and assessment
- A solutions focus on implementation paths to coherent integration of TVC within education delivery.

Facilitators

- Brookings Institution
- Global Resources for Assessment Curriculum and Evaluation (GRACE)
- Bureau of Educational Assessment, Department of Education Philippines (DEPED-BEA)
Target Participants

The workshop is designed for policy makers, ministry and school administrators, teacher trainers and researchers, with knowledge and interest in the conceptual, practical and policy dimensions of TVC across curriculum, pedagogy and assessment.

Participant Criteria

Participants will be invited from among NEQMAP members as a priority, or those nominated/recommended by a NEQMAP member. In principle, participants should represent any of the following categories:

- Ministry of Education officials responsible for
  a) pedagogy/teacher education,
  b) curricula development, and
  c) learning assessments
- Educators/trainers at teacher training institutions
- National education research institutions/Private research institutes and think-tanks
- Non-governmental organizations/Civil society organizations

Venue and Date

The four-day workshop will be held in Manila, Philippines hosted by UNESCO, GRACE and DepEd-BEA.

Participants are requested to bring a laptop for use during the workshop and are expected to stay on for the full duration of the workshop and attend all sessions.

Visa Requirements

Participants are responsible for obtaining their own visas (and for the visa fee) at the Embassy or Consulate of Philippines nearest them. A formal letter of invitation can be provided to facilitate this process.

Registration

Please express your interest to participate in the workshop by completing the online registration form (bit.ly/NEQMAPManilaWorkshop) by Monday 15 July 2019. The NEQMAP Secretariat will review the applications on a first-come, first-served basis and within the limited availability of seats.

For NEQMAP members who register, please list your member institute and the focal point as a reference.

Non-NEQMAP candidates who fit the criteria listed above should be nominated by a NEQMAP member. Those who register without the nomination or referral of a NEQMAP member institute/focal point may not be considered. Please see our member list here: https://bangkok.unesco.org/content/neqmap-members

In submitting your expression of interest, please include a response for the following questions:

1. Why is this workshop relevant to you and your work?
2. How will you benefit from participation?
3. What will you do following the workshop to disseminate knowledge and develop capacity in your country/institute (e.g. commitment statement and proposed action)?

Should you have any questions or concerns, you can contact the NEQMAP Secretariat via email (neqmap@unesco.org).