



DRAFT AGENDA

UNESCO/OECD guidelines on “Quality Provision in Cross-border Higher Education” Drafting Meeting 2 14-15 October 2004

Tokyo University, Tokyo, Japan
in collaboration with Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, Japan

As agreed at the first drafting meeting in Paris on 5-6 April 2004, Jan Levy, Norway, will be the Chair and Mala Singh, South Africa, will be the Vice-Chair of this drafting meeting.

14 October 2004

9:30~10:10 Opening Session

Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)
Michael Omolewa, Ambassador, Permanent Delegation of Nigeria to UNESCO and President of the UNESCO General Conference
Georges Haddad, Director, Higher Education Division, UNESCO
Bernard Hugonnier, Deputy-Director, Directorate for Education, OECD

10:10~11:30 Discussion on the draft UNESCO/OECD Guidelines on quality provision in cross-border higher education (plenary)

In this session, participants are invited to:

- *COMMENT and ADVISE on the structure, content and formulation of the draft UNESCO/OECD guidelines.*

The plenary session will be followed by a workshop in the afternoon, where participants will be able to discuss the content of the draft of UNESCO/OECD Guidelines in more details in a smaller group.

* Draft of the UNESCO/OECD Guidelines for quality provision in cross-border higher education¹

11:30~11:45 Coffee Break

¹ The draft is based on the discussion at the first drafting session that took place on 5-6 April 2004 and an experts meeting that was held on 30 June 2004. (The list of participants of the experts meeting will be made available at the meeting.) The document consists of two parts: a preamble and its annex. The preamble is entitled “the UNESCO/OECD Guidelines for quality provision in cross-border higher education” and the annex is entitled “UNESCO/OECD Guidelines for quality provision in cross-border higher education”. There is a separate preamble for UNESCO and the OECD due to different procedures of adoption of the Guidelines by each body. The annex is in common.

11:45~13:00 **Discussion on the draft UNESCO/OECD Guidelines on quality provision in cross-border higher education (plenary) (cont.)**

13:00~14:30 Lunch

14:30~16:00 **Workshops on the draft UNESCO/OECD Guidelines on quality provision in cross-border higher education**

Participants will work in 3 groups. All of the groups will go through the draft UNESCO/OECD Guidelines on quality provision in cross-border higher education. Participants are asked to give concrete suggestions and comments on the draft, taking into account the discussion during the plenary session in the morning.

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16:00~16:20 Coffee break

16:20~17:30 **Report back session (plenary)**

The moderators of the workshops will be asked to present concrete suggestions and comments of the working groups. This will be followed by discussion in plenary.

18:00~20:00 Reception hosted by MEXT to be held at Tokyo University

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9:00~10:20 **Introductory session to the workshops on the implementation of the UNESCO/OECD Guidelines (plenary)**

In this session, UNESCO and OECD Secretariats will give a brief introduction to the workshops on the implementation of the UNESCO/OECD Guidelines. Some issues will be raised concerning the implementation process of the Guidelines and capacity building of some developing countries to implement the guidelines, with special focus on an international information tool on recognised higher education institutions. Furthermore, two or three country delegates will be asked to give a brief presentation introducing reforms of national regulatory framework of quality assurance, accreditation and recognition of qualifications concerning cross-border provision of higher education and to what extent it takes into account the principles underlined in the Guidelines. Participants are asked to:

- ADVISE on the implementation process of the UNESCO/OECD guidelines.

* Draft proposal: Proposed next steps for an international information tool on recognised higher education institutions

* Building capacity in quality assurance in higher education in developing countries. UNESCO and the World Bank will address the issue.

10:20~10:40 Coffee break

10:40~12:00 Workshops on the implementation of the UNESCO/OECD Guidelines

Participants will work in 3 groups.

12:00~13:00 Report back session (plenary)

Moderators of the workshops will report back in plenary their discussion in the working groups.

13:00~14:30 Lunch

14:30~16:00 Conclusion and next steps for the UNESCO/OECD Guidelines and an international information tool on recognised higher education institutions

In this session, participants will be asked to discuss the proposed next steps for the UNESCO/OECD Guidelines and an international information tool on recognised higher education institutions.

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* Draft proposal: Proposed next steps for an international information tool on recognised higher education institutions

16:00~16:40 Closing remarks

Georges Haddad, UNESCO
Bernard Hugonnier, OECD
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