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TO ALL MEMBER ORGANISATIONS

Brussels, 4 July 2017

Re: Webinar on "*Organising teachers: Developing the power of the profession*", 14th September 2017 3.30-5.00pm CET

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Dear colleagues,

Education International (EI) is holding a webinar for all affiliates to participate in a discussion around the Stevenson/Bascia research entitled "*Organising teachers: Developing the power of the profession*". The purpose of the webinar is to discuss the findings from the report, especially around the seven challenges for teacher union renewal.

When: 14 September 2017

Time: 3.30-5.00 pm (CET) / 09.30-11.00am (EST) / 2.30-4.00 pm (GMT)

President

Susan Hopgood

Register : martin.henry@ei-ie.org. **Please note that registration is mandatory for technical purposes.**

General Secretary

Fred van Leeuwen

Colleagues are requested to join the webinar 10 minutes before it starts.

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Organising teachers: Developing the power of the profession is a report commissioned by the Education International Research Institute. It explores the particular challenges facing teachers and their unions in a range of national contexts: Chile, Kenya, New Zealand, Poland, Scotland, Turkey and the United States of America. We hope to have most of the case study countries represented in the webinar. The case studies explore a variety of innovative ways unions have found to face the challenge of union renewal.



Howard Stevenson, Professor of Education at Nottingham University, UK and co-author of the study, will open the discussion with reflections on the challenges. Country representatives will further elucidate what they have learnt about union renewal. This will be followed by a discussion on how union renewal can be organised around the seven challenges and the ways we can support each other to ensure teacher unions are shaping the educational debate.

The agenda of the webinar is set out below:

1. Understanding the challenges facing teachers and their unions
2. What we have learnt from the case studies
3. The seven challenges as an organising tool
4. Response and contributions from affiliates

You can download the study [here](#).

It is currently being translated into Spanish and French which will be available from the middle of July. You can find them on our [research page](#).

EI research has also published a discussion paper on "[School vouchers the privileges of choice](#)", a report on the plight of unaccompanied migrants in Italy "[The Journey of Hope](#)" and many other reports accessible [here](#).

Please contact Martin Henry if you require additional information.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Fred van Leeuwen', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Fred van Leeuwen
General Secretary