

Education International Education in Crisis Seminar

Thursday and Friday, 18-19 October, 2012
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Place Rogier, Brussels

Thursday, 18 October

11.30–11.45 **Welcome and Introduction**

11.45–13.00 Keynote Address: **Education In Crisis: Seeking A Global Response**, Professor Deborah Meier, Steinhardt School of Education, New York University
Followed by Q&A, moderated by: John Bangs (EI)

13.00–14.30 **Lunch**

14.30–16.00 Round Table discussion: **Funding public services in the future:
Who will benefit and who will pay?**

This session will address a number of topics, including: fair and progressive taxation, the effects of privatisation on public services—including education, the impact of austerity measures on public services, democratic rights and social cohesion, and the other social costs of curtailing public services.

Moderator: Dennis van Roekel (NEA, United States, and EI Vice-President)

Panellists: Jim Baker (Coordinator, Council of Global Unions), Peter Waldorff (General Secretary, Public Services International), Sharan Burrows (General Secretary, International Trade Union Confederation)

To be confirmed pannelists: Sven Giegold (Deputy, Alliance 90/The Greens in the European Parliament)

16.00–16.30 **Break**

16.30–18.00 Round Table discussion: **Strategies for exiting the crisis and policies for future economic growth.**

In this session participants will discuss the impact of the economic crisis on education, especially in Europe, as well as economic policies for future stability and growth. They will also examine the recent experience of some countries which have suffered severely as a result of the economic crisis and their response.

Moderator: Pierre Habbard (OECD: Trade Union Advisory Committee)

Panellists: Martin Romer (European Director, ETUCE), David Robinson (Special Consultant: EI),

*To be confirmed pannelists: Jose Campos (FECCO, Spain and EI Executive Board),
Janka Takeva (SEB, Bulgaria)*

18.00–19.00 **Reception**

Friday, 19 October

09.30–10.30 Keynote Address: **The Future of Education and Development**, Carol Bellamy,
Chair of the Global Partnership for Education
Followed by Q&A, moderated by: *to be confirmed*

10.30–11.30 Round Table discussion: **Impact of the economic crisis on education and
development.**
This discussion will focus on the current impact of the economic crisis on developing
economies and the effects that cuts in development aid have had on the potential for
achieving the EFA and MDG's post-2015.

Panellists: David Archer (Director, ActionAid), Teopista Burungi (UNATU, Uganda, and
EI Executive Board), Keith Lewin (Sussex – t.b.c.)

*To be confirmed moderator: Haldis Holst (UEN, Norway, and EI Vice-President)
To be confirmed panellists: Professor Keith Lewin (University of Sussex, United
Kingdom), Karen Mundy (OISE University of Toronto and Director, CIDECE)*

11.30–12.00 **Break**

12.00–13.00 Plenary Discussion: **Education in crisis: Where do we go from here?**
What initiatives should EI take to meet the current and future challenges in education
development and how should EI seek to influence post-crisis education development
and growth?

Moderator: Fred van Leeuwen (General Secretary, EI)
Panellists: Mugwena Maluleke (SADTU, South Africa, and EI Executive Board), Patrick
Roach (NASUWT, United Kingdom, and EI Executive Board)

*To be confirmed panellists: Eva Lis Sirén (Lararforbundet, Sweden, and EI Executive
Board), Angelo Gavrielatos (AEU, Australia)*

13.00–13.30 **Conclusions**