

Education and Development

Events and initiatives within the Education month of the European Year for Development 2015



2015 is a crucial year for development: The **European Year for Development (EYD)** puts the spotlight on the role of the European Union as a global actor in particular in international cooperation and development policy. Several events and initiatives have been organised to raise awareness and trigger debates on development.

February is the month dedicated to education. All professionals and citizens are called to participate in this global debate and show that Education is a priority in the EU's development cooperation: it is a human right and one of the most effective ways of reducing poverty and inequality and improving people's lives.

Upcoming events on Education and Development

In the frame of the EYD 2015, the European commission is organising a series of events in cooperation with other partners to address specific issues within education and development, hosted by the External Cooperation Infopoint (Brussels).

All events are/will be launched in the **Public Group on Education and Development in Capacity4Dev**, section "events". We will keep these sections updated with the programme of the conferences, relevant documentations, videos, etc. You can include your comments and launch questions for discussion among the group!

Lunch-time conferences

Monday (23/02/2015 at 12.30)

Syrian children & Education: the EU-UNICEF commitment

- ° Download the [invitation](#) and the [hand-out](#)
- ° Watch the [1 minute video](#) of Ewan McGregor and Mustafa PSA, which was part of the Voices of Children Campaign
- ° Watch the [1 minute video clip](#) from Syria: School club in Homs - Syrian Schooling and Learning During Conflict.

Tuesday (24/02/2015 at 12.30)

Education for All by 2030? Challenges for global education

- ° Download the [invitation](#)

Wednesday (25/02/2015 at 12.30)

Renforcer la qualité de l'enseignement dans les pays ACP

- ° Download the [invitation](#)

Thursday (26/02/2015 at 12.30): Higher Education

Short report:

Kapuscinski Development Lecture on the Global partnership for Education

On the 11th February, the European Commission (DG DEVCO) in collaboration with UNDP, VUB University and Save the Children organised a Kapuscinski Development Lecture (KDL) in Brussels dedicated to **EDUCATION – A KEY DRIVER FOR DEVELOPMENT** with **Julia Gillard**, Chair of the Board of Directors of the Global Partnership for Education. The event was a great success and generated much interest! More information and videos (click to open or download):

- ° [Hand-out distributed in the event](#) about the support of the EU to Education for Development
- ° [Programme and presentation](#) of speakers
- ° [Article in "the Guardian"](#) reporting the main highlights of the event and of Ms. Gillard's presentation.
- ° [Video interviews](#) of participants with feedback about the event
- ° [Video of Ms. Julia Gillard](#); other interventions and resources available on the KDL website: <http://kapuscinskilectures.eu/lectures/>

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Share, participate, get involved!

Besides keeping updated on all information and relevant documents, especially in February – month of Education for Development – you are very welcome to **share your stories, announce the events you are organising in your country** and interact with people around the world who share the passion and challenges of Education and Development!



Here are the various ways how you can participate:

Capacity4Dev (<http://capacity4dev.ec.europa.eu>):

Our main tool for online knowledge sharing on development, external cooperation and policy

- ° Engage in the **Public Group on Education and Development**: check the news on events and new pages to share stories, share your stories, participate in discussions!
- ° Check the **"Voices and Views"** section with interesting articles and videos on education-related issues.
- ° Keep tuned for the launch of the **Higher Education group** focused on Higher Education programmes in Education for Development

European Year for Development website (<http://europa.eu/eyd2015>)

Check the official website for the European Year for Development 2015.

DG International Cooperation and Development website (<http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid>)

Check the information, documents and event announcements in the Education sector and links to social networks **Facebook**, **Twitter** and **Youtube**.

External Cooperation Info Point:

If you are in Brussels, visit our Info Point at Rue de la Loi, 43. This space devoted to dialogue and the exchange of ideas is an interface between citizens and the various services of the Commission dealing with external relations.

EU Aid Explorer

(<https://euaidexplorer.jrc.ec.europa.eu/>):

This tool provides easy access to clear, complete and accurate data on development and humanitarian aid around the world.