Celebration of the International Mother Language Day 2016
- 22 February 2016 -

*Quality education, language(s) of instruction and learning outcomes*

**Agenda**

10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Room IX, UNESCO

**10 a.m. - Session 1  Official Opening**

Moderator: Ms Lydia Ruprecht, Team Leader for Global Citizenship Education within the Section of Education for Sustainable Development and Global citizenship, UNESCO

- Welcome remarks: Ms Al-Nashif Nada, Assistant Director-General for Social and Human Sciences, UNESCO
- Speech: H.E. Mr M. Shahidul Islam, Ambassador of Bangladesh to France and Permanent Delegate to UNESCO
- Speech, Mr Adama Ouane, Administrateur, Organisation internationale de la Francophonie (OIF)

**11 to 12.30 a.m. - Session 2  Quality education, language(s) of instruction and learning outcomes - Presentations and discussion**

Moderator: Ms Noro Andriamiseza, Programme Specialist, UNESCO Education Sector

- Mr Aaron Benavot, Director, Global Education Monitoring Report (GEM): *Launch of the Policy Paper on Languages “If you don’t understand, how can you learn?”* UNESCO Education Sector
Mr Hamidou Seydou Hanafiou, Coordinator “Initiative ELAN”, Organisation internationale de la Francophonie (OIF):
Impact of languages of instruction on learning

Mr Fabian Charles: Club Radio France internationale (RFI)
Creole languages and languages of instruction

Ms Irmgarda Kasinskaite-Buddeberg, Programme Specialist, UNESCO Communication and information Sector
Promotion of quality education through the UNESCO Atlas of Languages in Danger

Discussion and conclusion

Interpretation English-French will be made available

1 to 2 pm. Cocktail