

MINISTERIAL SDG4 REGIONAL FORUM FOR EASTERN AFRICA

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DAR ES SALAAM, TANZANIA

JULIUS NYERERE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION CENTER

**‘Ensuring inclusive and equitable quality education
and promote life-long learning opportunities for all’**

The Ministry of Education of Tanzania, UNESCO and the SDG4 co-conveners (ILO, UNFPA, UNDP, UNICEF, UN Women, UNHCR and the World Bank) are organizing the **Ministerial SDG4 Regional Forum for Eastern Africa** with 13 Member States (**Comoros, Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Madagascar, Mauritius, Rwanda, Seychelles, Somalia, South Sudan, Tanzania and Uganda**). Ministers of Education in Eastern Africa and partners will meet in Dar Es Salaam to discuss regional priorities and policy recommendations for the interpretation, implementation and monitoring of the 2030 Education Agenda-SDG4 in the region.



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Following the adoption of the **2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development** and its 17 SDGs at the United Nations Sustainable Development Summit in New York in September 2015, the **SDG4-Education 2030 Framework for Action** was adopted as the overall guiding framework for the implementation of SDG4-Education 2030. This new ‘Education 2030’ agenda is fully captured in Sustainable Development Goal (SDG 4), **“Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote life-long learning opportunities for all”**.

Since 2016, Member States in the region have been engaging in translating global priorities and targets of the 2030 Education Agenda-SDG4 into achievable national targets based on their educational priorities, national development strategies and plans. Under the leadership of Ministries of Education, and with support of UNESCO and the SDG4 co-conveners, national SDG4 consultations have been held and countries have been preparing national SDG4 roadmaps to support the implementation and monitoring of their National Education Strategic Plans, and also in view of outlining and agreeing on priorities at regional level.

In order to continue the consultation process at regional level, it is expected that this ministerial regional forum will be a platform to identify priorities and policy recommendations for a **regional roadmap for the implementation of the SDG4-Education 2030 agenda** and linkages with other SDGs; to develop proposals and recommendations for **regional coordination/collaboration, partnership, monitoring and follow-up mechanisms** in view of translating the global agenda into achievable national policies, plans and targets; and to adopt a **Regional Statement on the implementation of SDG4-Education 2030** at the end of the Forum.

Location: Julius Nyerere International Convention Center, Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania

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