

Network on Education Quality Monitoring in Asia-Pacific (NEQMAP) Terms of Reference (TOR)

MEMBER and ASSOCIATE MEMBER

The Network on Education Quality Monitoring in the Asia-Pacific (NEQMAP), established in 2013 in Bangkok, Thailand, is a platform for exchange of knowledge, experience and expertise on the monitoring of educational quality in countries and jurisdictions of the Asia-Pacific region. The network focuses on student learning assessment as a key tool for monitoring education quality, while acknowledging the importance of maintaining strong linkages with other enablers of learning in classrooms including curriculum and pedagogy. NEQMAP members include Ministries of Education, assessment and evaluation bodies, universities, research centres, NGOs, foundations, regional and sub-regional organizations, from all parts of the Asia-Pacific region.

Membership to the network is free and open to all, based on the following criteria:

Member refers to

- An organization/institution **based in Asia-Pacific region** whose mandate and activities are strongly related to quality of education, specifically policies and practices of learning assessment, curriculum and/or pedagogy

Associate Member refers to

- An organization/institution **based outside Asia-Pacific region** whose mandate and activities are strongly related to quality of education, specifically policies and practices of learning assessment, curriculum and/or pedagogy and which has undertaken or is undertaking work in the Asia-Pacific region
- An individual expert **based either in or outside Asia-Pacific region** who has extensive professional experience or expertise in the area of policies and practices of learning assessment, curriculum and/or pedagogy and who has undertaken or is undertaking work in the Asia-Pacific region.

Please be noted that while for-profit organizations/institutions may join the network, they should NOT in any circumstances plan to use NEQMAP as a platform to promote or sell their activities, services or products, with an intention to earn income.

Roles and responsibilities of Member/Associate Member:

The Members/Associate Members are expected to support and contribute to the planning and implementation of NEQMAP activities under the three main pillars: knowledge sharing, capacity development and research works, as per the below:

- Send relevant resources (e.g. new reports or publications produced by the member organization/institution or in the respective countries) as contribution to the NEQMAP knowledge portal
- Contribute to the regular updating of information on assessments in their country/jurisdiction as part of the ongoing mapping exercise of NEQMAP
- Contribute to the NEQMAP biannual e-newsletter by sharing articles, event information, relevant web links, etc.
- Contribute to NEQMAP's research activities by submitting relevant contributions or participating in the actual research work
- Send a representative(s) to NEQMAP's capacity development workshops when deemed relevant/appropriate
- Participate in the NEQMAP annual meeting
- Link to the NEQMAP website (<http://www.unescobkk.org/education/neqmap>) on the organization/institution's website
- Inform the NEQMAP Secretariat of opportunities to contribute to the organization/institution's activities (e.g. conferences/workshops, newsletters, journals, blogs, etc.)

Roles and responsibilities of NEQMAP Focal Point:

Institutional applicants are expected to nominate a 'NEQMAP Focal Point', who will have the following responsibilities:

- Serve as liaison between the Member/Associate Member organization/institution and the NEQMAP Secretariat
- Share information from the NEQMAP Secretariat with colleagues within their respective organization/institution
- Update the NEQMAP Secretariat if there is any major structural change in the respective organization/institution or in the focal point or additional contact person (s) specified in the application document
- Represent the organization/institution in the annual meeting; however, this is not mandatory.
- Keep the NEQMAP Secretariat informed of any bilateral collaboration between the organization/institution and other NEQMAP members, as well as with partner organizations connected via NEQMAP, for informational purposes.

For any question or clarification, please contact the NEQMAP Secretariat via:

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