SIXTY-FIRST SESSION OF THE
COUNCIL OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAU OF EDUCATION

Geneva, 25-27 January 2012

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Wednesday, 25 January 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

1. Opening of the session

2. Adoption of the Agenda (UNESCO/BIE/C.61/1/Prov./Rev.) and of the Annotated Agenda (UNESCO/BIE/C.61/1/Prov./Add)

3. Election of the President, the Steering Committee and subsidiary bodies of the IBE Council

4. IBE activities during 2011 (UNESCO/BIE/C.61/2)

5. IBE programme of activities for 2012 (UNESCO/BIE/C.61/3)

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IBE programme of activities for 2012 (continued)

6. Implementation plan of the Strategy aimed at making the IBE a Centre of Excellence in curriculum (UNESCO/BIE/C.61/Inf. 4)
   6.1 Implementation Framework
   6.2 Programme priorities (process of implementation)
   6.3 Organizational Structure (process of implementation)
   6.4 Policy Dialogue, including the International Conference on Education (ICE) (process of implementation)
   6.5 Governance (process of implementation)

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Cocktail reception

Thursday, 26 January 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Implementation plan of the Strategy aimed at making the IBE a Centre of Excellence in curriculum (continued)

Thursday, 26 January 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

7. Resource mobilization plan for IBE (UNESCO/BIE/C.61/Inf. 5)
   7.1 Communication strategy
   7.2 Advocacy and marketing

Friday, 27 January 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Resource mobilization plan for IBE (continued)

8. Dates for the 62nd session of the Council

9. Any other business

10. Adoption of the Decisions of the 61st session (UNESCO/BIE/C.61/Decisions/Prov.)

11. Closing of the 61st session
PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

The 61st session of the IBE Council will take place at the International Air Transport Association Building (IATA), 33 Route de l’Aéroport, 1215 Geneva 15 Airport. (See the attached flyer “Practical Information”).

It will begin on Wednesday, 25 January 2012 at 10 a.m. and is foreseen that it will end on Friday, 27 January 2012, at 1 p.m.

The session’s working timetable will be as follows: Wednesday, 25 January and Thursday, 26 January from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; and Friday, 27 January from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

As in 2011, the meeting of the Administrative Group (AG) will take place at the IBE premises, in the Cecilia Braslavsky room, 15 route des Morillons, 1218 Le Grand-Saconnex, Geneva, on Tuesday, 24 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The AG will focus on administrative and financial matters only. The report of the AG will not be formally adopted as it was the case in the past. The Council will just take note of it as an input to the debates.

Wednesday, 25 January from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

1. Opening of the session

The session will be opened on Wednesday, January 25 at 10 a.m. by H.E. Mr Ole BRISEID (Norway), President of the IBE Council.

2. Adoption of the Agenda and Annotated Agenda

A draft provisional agenda has already been presented to and commented by the Council’s Steering Committee on 6 September 2011. This draft has been prepared jointly by the President of the IBE Council and the IBE Secretariat. In conformity with its Rules of Procedure (Section IV, Rule 4, § 5), “After the adoption of the agenda, the Council may, in the course of a session, alter the order of the agenda items or add or delete items. A two-thirds majority of the members present and voting shall be required for the addition or deletion of an item in the course of a session”.


3. Election of the President, the Steering Committee and the subsidiary bodies of the IBE Council

Following the election of fourteen new Council Members that took place at the 36th session of the General Conference of UNESCO (see the new composition of the Council, annexed), the Council must choose its new Steering Committee for the 2012-2013 biennium, as well as any subsidiary bodies that it considers useful. In conformity with the Statutes of the IBE (Section II, Article IV, § 5): “The Council shall elect its Steering Committee, comprising a President and five Vice-Presidents, who shall be nationals of the six regional groups.” The Steering Committee is elected for a period of two years; its members may be re-elected, but cannot retain their seat for more than four years. During the last biennium, the Steering Committee consisted of representatives of the following Member States:
- President: Group I (Western Europe and North America): Norway
- Vice-presidents: Group II (Eastern and Central Europe): Georgia
  Group III (Latin America and the Caribbean): Dominican Republic
  Group IV (Asia and the Pacific): Pakistan
  Group Va (Africa): Republic of Tanzania
  Group Vb (Arab States): Oman

During the 59th session of the IBE Council (January 2010), on the proposal of Electoral Group I (Western Europe and North America), in coordination with Electoral Group II (Eastern and Central Europe) and in conformity with its Rules of Procedure (IV, Section V, Rule 5.1.), the Council elected as its President Mr. Ole BRISSEID, Director General, Ministry of Education and Research, Norway. In line with the principle of geographical rotation, the Council also decided that the next term of the Presidency, unless the Council members seek re-election of the present President, should go to Electoral Group II (Eastern and Central Europe). Consultations among the Electoral Groups should take place ahead of time.

In conformity with Article IV, paragraph 6 of the Statutes of the IBE, according to which: "The Council may set up subsidiary bodies to assist in the execution of its specific tasks", the Administrative Group has been set up in past years with representatives from each of the six Electoral Groups. Its members may be re-elected for a second term.

During the last biennium, the Administrative Group consisted of representatives of the following Member States:

- Chairperson: Group II (Eastern and Central Europe): Russian Federation
- Members: Group I (Western Europe and North America): Israel
  Group III (Latin America and Caribbean): Brazil
  Group IV (Asia and Pacific): Indonesia
  Group Va (Africa): Mali
  Group Vb (Arab States): Morocco

Indonesia, Mali and Russian Federation are no longer Members of the Council. In conformity with the Statutes of the IBE, which foresee that the Steering Committee (and its subsidiary body) remains in office until the new bodies have been elected, the Administrative Group will be convened in its present form and will meet on 24 January 2012. Interested Member States may assign a representative as an observer.

4. IBE activities during 2011

DOCUMENTS: UNESCO/BIE/C.61/2 Report of the Director; UNESCO/BIE/61/Inf. 2 Pre-Final Accounts 2011; and UNESCO/BIE/C.61/Inf. 3 Report of the Administrative Group, which will be distributed at the beginning of the meeting.

- The Director will present the salient points of the Report on Activities in 2011.
- The Council will take note of the first part of the Administrative Group’s report on activities completed in 2011.
- The Council will discuss the Report of Activities held in 2011.
- The Director and/or the programme coordinators will reply to the Council’s questions.
- The Council will proceed to approve the Report of Activities 2011.
- The Council will proceed to approve the Pre-Final Accounts 2011 and the Appropriation Resolution for 2011.

1 Oman is no longer a Member of the Council. Consultations among the Electoral Group Vb should take place ahead of time to identify a new Vice-president.
5. The IBE programme of activities for 2012

**DOCUMENTS:** UNESCO/BIE/C.61/3 - Report of the Director; and
UNESCO/BIE/C.61/Inf.3 - Report of the Administrative Group, which will be distributed at the beginning of the meeting.

- The Director will present the proposals for a programme of activities and the draft budget for 2012.
- The Council will take note of the second part of the Administrative Group’s Report on the proposed activities and budget for 2012.
- The Council will discuss the proposed programmes in 2012.
- The Director and/or the programme co-ordinators will reply to the Council’s questions.
- The Council will proceed to approve the Programme of Activities for 2012.
- Approval of the budget for 2012.
- The Council will take note of the entire Report of the Administrative Group.

Wednesday, 25 January from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

IBE programme of activities for 2012 (continued)

6. Implementation plan of the Strategy aimed at making the IBE a Centre of Excellence (CoE) in curriculum

**DOCUMENT:** UNESCO/BIE/C.61/Inf.4

6.1. Implementation Framework
6.2. Programme priorities (process of implementation)
6.3. Organizational Structure (process of implementation)
6.4. Policy Dialogue, including ICE (process of implementation)
6.5. Governance (process of implementation)

The Director will introduce the Implementation plan. The Council will be invited to make comments.

The Council will proceed with the formal approval.

Thursday, 26 January from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Implementation plan of the Strategy aimed at making the IBE a Centre of Excellence in curriculum (continued)
Thursday, 26 January from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

7. Resource mobilization plan for IBE
   DOCUMENT: UNESCO/BIE/C.61/Inf.5

   7.1. Communication strategy
   7.2. Advocacy and marketing

The Director will introduce the Resource mobilization plan, including a communication strategy and an advocacy and marketing strategy.

The Council will be invited to discuss and approve the Resource mobilization plan.


Friday, 27 January from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Resource mobilization plan for IBE (continued, if necessary)

8. Dates for the 62nd session of the Council


9. Any other business

10. Adoption of the Decisions of the 61st session

   In conformity with the Rules of Procedure of the IBE Council (IV, Section XI, Rule 22), which foresee that “the Council shall approve at each session the text of the decisions adopted during that session” and that “the text shall be published during the month following the end of the session”, the Council is invited to:
   • review the texts of the draft Decisions of the 61st session;
   • adopt them;
   • request the IBE to publish the text by the beginning of March 2012.

11. Closing of the 61st session