RECOMMENDATION No. 70

concerning

INTERNATIONAL STANDARD CLASSIFICATION OF EDUCATION (ISCED)

(1975)

The International Conference on Education, at its 35th session (27 August-4 September 1975),

Having examined the item on the International Standard Classification of Education (ISCED) placed on its agenda by the Director-General,

Adopts and submits to the Director-General for appropriate action the following recommendation:

1) To Member States, Unesco and other international and regional organizations

The adoption and application of ISCED as a basic standard in all international reporting of statistics on education.

2) To Member States

(i) that they consider the adoption and application of ISCED or a classification system compatible with ISCED for national purposes, and (ii) that they furnish Unesco, upon request, with a chart and description of their own educational systems to show the links with the ISCED structure, with a view to use in publications.

3) To Unesco

(i) that it provide the necessary support to Member States in the application of ISCED, and undertake a programme of work in collaboration with Member States designed to improve ISCED in
areas such as the criteria used for defining level-categories in higher education, the coverage of adult education, and other methodological problems related to the application of ISCED, and (ii) that it begin the legal process of revising the 1958 Recommendation concerning the International Standardization of Educational Statistics to make it compatible with ISCED.