

Inclusive education

- acknowledges that all children can learn
- acknowledges and respects differences (age, gender, ethnicity, language, disability, HIV status, etc)
- enables education structures, systems and methodologies to meet the needs of all children
- is part of a wider strategy to promote an inclusive society
- is a dynamic process which is constantly evolving
- need not be restricted by large class sizes or shortage of material resources.

This definition was developed at a participatory seminar in Agra, India, 1998.

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Why does EENET exist?

Education is a basic human right for all children, as stated in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Unfortunately, many children face discrimination which denies them this right.

To achieve the goal of Education for All and follow the principles of the Salamanca Statement, education systems and teaching and learning practices need to become more inclusive. This doesn't just mean enabling all children to *access* education. Throughout their education we must also ensure that they can *participate* and *achieve* to their full capacity.



This is not easy. However, by exchanging ideas and experiences, the process of making education more inclusive can become less daunting.

The Enabling Education Network (EENET) exists to help create conversations about inclusive education.

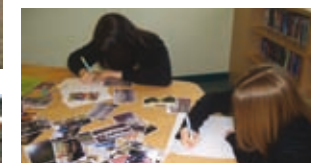
We give priority to those voices that are not usually heard in education debates. We focus on those countries that have limited access to information and resources.

EENET encourages participation from *all* stakeholders in education. We support information-sharing partnerships in all parts of the world.

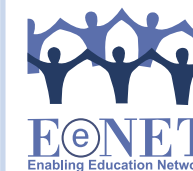


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The Enabling Education Network



Promoting the inclusion of marginalised groups in education worldwide



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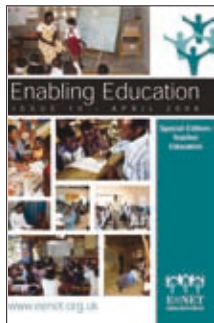
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EENET's activities

EENET is an inclusive education information-sharing network, open to everyone. Our network members include teachers, parents, students, non-governmental organisations and policy-makers. We promote and share information and documentation originating in the South (developing countries). We encourage critical thinking, innovation and conversations within and between countries, on issues of inclusion, equity and rights in education. We promote concepts of inclusion by being inclusive and participatory in our own practices.

Annual newsletter *Enabling Education*

Easy-to-read articles written by practitioners and stakeholders, sent to 5,000 people in 150 countries each year. Could you write an article for the newsletter? If you feel you need some support with writing, we are here to help. Or could you help us to translate the newsletters into other languages? **We want to hear from you!**

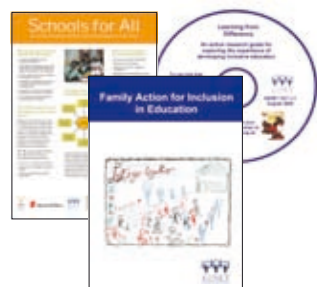


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Hundreds of articles, reports and training guides. It is used by people in 190 countries and is available on CD-ROM for those without Internet access.

Producing materials on inclusive education

We promote participatory action research in education. We support people to research, write, design and publish their own training materials and reports. These, and EENET's own materials, are



available free to South-funded individuals and organisations – although voluntary contributions towards costs are welcome.

Materials are available to those who are North-based and North-funded for a small charge.

Supporting the development of national and regional information-sharing networks

In Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Pacific. See the contact details for your local network (right) or ask EENET. If you could help to start or run an inclusive education information network in your country or region, please let us know.



Responding to enquiries

We correspond with hundreds of people every year. We respond to requests for information on any aspect of inclusive education. We help put people who are facing similar challenges in touch with each other.

Developing and promoting image-based approaches to research and teaching

Photography, drawing, drama, etc, can help adults and children to express and record their experiences of education and inclusion, as part of ongoing work to improve education for all. We offer support and advice to anyone wishing to learn more about this approach.



If you have a query about inclusive education in the South, contact EENET. If we don't have the answer, we probably know someone else who does!

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I would like to receive the EENET newsletter*
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I would like to know if there is an inclusive education network in my country/region.

I would like to write an article about my experiences of inclusive education, please send me your 'guidelines for authors'.

I would like to volunteer to help translate EENET's newsletters into another language.

/my organisation would like to find out how to support EENET.