MAY 2

8:30-9:00  Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00-9:30  Welcome and Introduction

Jody Heymann, Founding Director, McGill Institute for Health and Social Policy and Principal Investigator, WoRLD Data Centre

9:30-10:30 Opening Keynotes: What is the Global Scale and Context of Inequity in Education?

Abhijit Banerjee, Founding Director of the Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab and Ford Foundation International Professor of Economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Shantayanan Devarajan, Chief Economist of the World Bank’s Africa Region

10:30-11:00 Break and Poster Presentations on Model Programs

Heritage Room

11:00-12:30 Plenary Panel: Equity in Pre-Primary and Primary Education: The Critical Challenge of Simultaneously Improving Access, Quality and Inclusion

Jessica Ball, Coordinator, First Nations Partnership Programs and Professor in the School of Child and Youth Care, University of Victoria

Marcia Rioux, Director, Institute for Health Research and Professor in the School of Health Policy and Management, York University

Merle Froschl and Barbara Sprung, Co-Directors, Center for Educational Equity at the Academy for Educational Development

Marlaine Lockheed, Visiting Fellow at the Center for Global Development and Lecturer of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University

12:30-14:00 Luncheon Keynotes: Innovative, Non-Formal Approaches to Educational Equity

Perri Klass, Medical Director, Reach Out and Read and Professor of Journalism and Pediatrics at New York University

Sakena Yacoobi, Founder and Executive Director of the Afghan Institute of Learning and Co-Founder and Vice President of Creating Hope International
14:00-15:15  Plenary Panel: Equity in Secondary and Tertiary Education: Consolidating Gains, Improving Transitions and Increasing Opportunities

Albert Motivans, Head of Education Statistics, UNESCO Institute for Statistics

Peter Evans, Senior Analyst, Education and Training Policy Division, OECD Directorate of Education

Fenella Mukangara, Director of the Gender Centre at the University of Dar es Salaam and former Chair of the Tanzania Gender Networking Program

15:15-15:45  Break and Poster Presentations on Model Programs
Heritage Room

15:45-16:45  Closing Keynotes: How Do We Know What Works, and How Can We Reach Our Goals?

Fernando Reimers, Director of Global Education and of International Education Policy and Ford Foundation Professor of International Education, Harvard University

Robert Prouty, Manager, Education for All - Fast Track Initiative (EFA-FTI) and Lead Education Specialist at the World Bank

16:45-17:00  Next Steps

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