Educaid.be: Retrospective and prospects

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Motives for the platform?

- Multitude of Belgian organizations active in education and training in the South
- Until recently: no structural consultation between Belgian actors in Belgium
- Declaration of Paris and recommendations of DAC

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Objectives

• Strengthen quality of programs in the South
• Create formative environment in the North
• Contribute to improve official policy in Belgium on education and development
• Induce collaboration/complementarities in the field, whenever possible, desirable of necessary
Structure of the platform

- Steering Committee: decides on strategic orientations and functioning of platform
- Forum: open for all organisations, institutions and individuals active in education and training within development cooperation
- Actually three working groups:
  - Basic education
  - Technical and Vocational Education and Training
  - ICT and education, ICT and libraries, Distance Education
Realisations 2011 (1)

• **2011** was year of **starting-up**
• **Website:** [http://www.educaid.be](http://www.educaid.be)
• For the moment **45 member organisations** are involved in the Platform
• **Diversity of members:**
  • Policy makers, ONG’s, educational institutions, private organisations
  • Involvement of Flemish and Francophone organisations
• Three thematic seminars organised, with broad involvement of international experts and experts from the South:
  • “How to develop harmonized projects/programmes between Belgian actors? The case of Rwanda” (28/06/2011)
  • “ICT and development in the great lakes region of Africa” (21/10/2011)
  • “Building bridges between school and work” (07/10/2011)
• Several lectures of international experts and experts “from the terrain”
• Annual seminar: Development cooperation in the education sector: trends and challenges from international and Belgian perspective (06/12/2011)
Deliver contributions to the Belgian development cooperation in education

Deepening and further developing formative environment in the North via lectures, workshops and seminars

Stimulating durable collaboration between all actors

Exploration of possibilities for collaboration between Educaid.be and other international networks on education and development cooperation
More information?

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