



Literacy, Lifelong learning, A Sustainable Future for All

Conference on the occasion of the
Day of Literacy and of Fight against Illiteracy
11 September 2017 from 9.30 am to 5 pm - UNESCO Paris Room IV

PROGRAM

- 9.30 – 10.00** **Welcome to participants**
- 10.00 – 10.15** **Opening of the Conference** by a UNESCO Representative
- 10.15 - 10.30** **Literacy, a worrying ascertainment at the global level**
Introduction and Presentation of the three round tables by Evelyne Para,
President French Union of Soroptimist International
- 10.30 - 11.30** **1st Round Table: What are the main issues of literacy and the fight against illiteracy today in the world?**
Speakers:
- Her Royal Highness Princess Laurentien van Oranje (Netherlands)
 - Erik Orsenna, Writer and Academician (France)
 - François-Xavier Bellamy, Associate Professor of Philosophy, Deputy Mayor of Versailles in charge of culture
 - Geneviève Sanze, ONG New Humanity
 - Hélène Mouty, National Coordinator of UNESCO Associated Schools
 - Anne Brockmeier, Professor at the Franco-German Lycée of BUC (France)
- Moderator:** Marie-Claude Allez, ONG ATD QRT Monde
- 11.30 – 11.50** **Exchanges with participants in the room**
- 11.50 – 12.20** **Presentation of the 2017 Trophies "*Writing to be free*" of the French Committee of International Service Clubs** (Rotary – Lions – Kiwanis – Inner Wheel – Zonta – Soroptimist)
Presentation of the Trophies by François Leduc, CFCSI Secretary General
- 12.30 – 13.50** **Lunch break**
- 14.00 – 15.00** **2nd Round Table: What is the real impact of literacy on the economic development of countries?**
Speakers:
- Fanny Benedetti, Head of Gender, Education, Population and Youth at the Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs
 - Hervé Fernandez, Director of the National Agency for the Fight against Illiteracy (France)
 - Mehdi Lahlou, Professor of Economics at the Insea-Rabat (Maroc)
 - Miren Bengoa, President of ONU Women
 - A MEDEF Representative
- Moderator:** Marie-Claude Machon, ONG BPW

15.00 – 15.15 Exchanges with participants in the room

15.15 – 16.15 3rd Round Table: How does the NGO Soroptimist International (SI) conceive the implementation of the new Agenda for Literacy to defend Peace in the World?

Speakers:

- Maggy Berckes, President Luxembourg Union of SI
- Claire Hublet, President Belgian Union of SI
- A Representative of Greek Union of SI
- A Representative of Italian Union of SI
- Micheline Chabanon-Cozzone, President SI Lyon Tête d'Or (France)
- Evelyne Para, President French Union of SI

Moderator: Rina Dupriet, Representative SI at UNESCO, Past Vice-President of the SI European Federation and Past President of the French Union

16.15 - 16.30 Interlude - Students of the Lycée Franco-Allemand of BUC (France)

16.30 – 17.00 Closing of Conference by Mariet VERHOEF-COHEN, President of Soroptimist International
