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## Cross-national Assessments (CNA) Technical Meeting Linking and Comparability

21-22 September 2017  
IEA Hamburg  
Conference Center  
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### **DRAFT AGENDA**

The meeting brings together technical experts from regional and international assessments to meet and work out a roadmap to eventual linking assessments and reporting the results along the same scale.

#### **Objectives**

The objectives of this meeting:

- 1) Discuss the reporting protocol and possible interim reporting until UIS reporting scale is developed
- 2) Develop strategy to improve coverage
- 3) Discuss options for linking cross-national learning assessments
- 4) Explore possibility to apply linking to national learning assessments
- 5) Discuss options of benchmarking

The meeting will take the form of presentation and plenary discussion with moderator in each session summarizes key discussion and decision points



## Day 1: Thursday, 21 September 2017

<b>08:30 – 09:00</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>09:00 – 09:30</b>	<b>1. Opening session</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Introduction of participants</li> <li>b. Objectives of the meeting</li> </ol> <p><i>Chair: Silvia Montoya, UIS</i></p>
<b>09:30 – 10:45</b>	<b>2. Reporting</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Presentation of reporting protocol – UIS</li> <li>b. Presentation of coverage issues – UIS               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Cross-national assessment mapping</li> <li>ii. National assessment mapping</li> </ol> </li> </ol> <p>References: UIS concept note on reporting protocol            UIS-IBE cross-national assessment mapping            UIS-IBE national assessment coverage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PRESENT the immediate issues and solution on reporting in 2017</li> <li>• REVIEW UIS reporting protocol</li> <li>• OUTLINE work of interim reporting</li> </ul> <p>DISCUSS and COMMENT</p> <p><i>Moderator: TBC</i></p>
<b>10:45 – 11:00</b>	<i>Coffee Break</i>
<b>11:00 – 12:30</b>	<b>3. Reporting (cont.)</b> DISCUSSION <i>Moderator: TBC</i>
<b>12:30 – 13:30</b>	<i>Lunch</i>
<b>13:30 – 15:00</b>	<b>4. Linking regional and international assessments</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Equating existing assessments and validating the UIS reporting scales– ACER</li> <li>b. IEA's TO BE DEFINED</li> </ol> <p>References: ACER's linking and comparability concept paper            IEA's Concept paper</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PRESENT the different options of linking cross-national assessments</li> <li>• DISCUSS the pros and cons of each option (base on statistical and psychometric properties), what does these tell us?</li> <li>• IDENTIFY the technical requirements on cross-national assessments to enable linking</li> <li>• DECIDE on the best pragmatic option of linking</li> <li>• APPLICATION to national assessments?</li> </ul> <p>DISCUSS and COMMENT</p> <p><i>Moderator: TBC</i></p>
<b>15:00 – 15:15</b>	<i>Coffee Break</i>



15:15 – 16:45	<p><b>5. Options for linking regional and international assessments (cont.)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• APPLICATION from linking to reporting</li> <li>• DECIDE on way forward</li> </ul> <p>DISCUSSION</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> TBC</p>
16:45 -17:00	<p><b>6. Summary of first day discussion</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> TBC</p>

### Day 2: Friday, 22 September 2017

09:00 – 09:15	<p><b>7. Outline for Day 2</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SUMMARY of Day 2 agenda</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b> TBC</p>
09:15 – 10:45	<p><b>8. Extended discussion</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Issues on reporting – establishing benchmark and defining proficiency level</li> <li>b. Remaining extended issues on linkages</li> </ol> <p>References: ACER Benchmark concept note</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PRESENT different options of benchmarking to define proficiency levels</li> <li>• IDENTIFY the best pragmatic option</li> <li>• DISCUSS the way forward</li> </ul> <p>DISCUSSION</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> TBC</p>
10:45 – 11:00	<p><i>Coffee Break</i></p>
11:00 – 12:30	<p><b>9. Extended discussion (cont.)</b></p> <p>DISCUSSION</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> TBC</p>
12:30 – 13:00	<p><b>10. Action items and next steps</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Summary of the meeting</li> <li>b. Next action steps</li> </ol> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Silvia Montoya, UIS</p>