Network on Education Quality Monitoring in the Asia-Pacific
What is NEQMAP?

The Network on Education Quality Monitoring in the Asia-Pacific (NEQMAP), established in March 2013 in Bangkok, Thailand, is a platform for exchange of knowledge, experience and expertise on the monitoring of educational quality in countries and jurisdictions of the Asia-Pacific region. The network focuses on student learning assessment as a key tool for monitoring education quality, while acknowledging the importance of maintaining strong linkages with other enablers of learning in classrooms including curriculum and pedagogy. UNESCO’s Asia and Pacific Regional Bureau for Education (UNESCO Bangkok) serves as the NEQMAP Secretariat.

Who are we?

NEQMAP members include Ministries of Education, assessment and evaluation bodies, universities, research centres, NGOs, foundations, regional and sub-regional organizations, from all parts of the Asia-Pacific region. Organizations outside of the region and individuals may also join as Associate Members.

Countries with NEQMAP members

“NEQMAP has associate members in the Netherlands, United Kingdom and United States of America, though not represented in the map.”
What do we do?

Activities of the network comprise capacity development, research and knowledge sharing among network members and other relevant stakeholders, including the following types of activities:

- **Research**
  - Comparative studies
  - Mapping studies
  - Case studies
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  - Topical research
  - Policy briefs

- **Capacity development**
  - Training workshops
  - Technical support
  - Study visits
  - Expert advice

- **Knowledge sharing**
  - Online knowledge portal
  - Network meetings
  - Seminars/webinars

What are we doing in 2016–2019?

Key activities:

1. Organization of capacity development workshops on large-scale learning assessment and related topics at national, sub-regional as well as regional levels

2. Regional as well as topical research on how the results of learning assessments are used and their impact on policy and practice

3. Regional mapping on existing policies and programmes for monitoring educational quality

4. Comparative studies on (i) assessment of transversal competencies ("21st century" skills) and (ii) school-based assessment

5. Development and expansion of a knowledge portal on student learning assessment in the region

6. Organization of a series of seminars/webinars on the topics related to quality of education and learning assessment
How do you join NEQMAP?

Membership to the network is free and open to all, based on the following criteria:

Member refers to:

An organization/institution based in the Asia-Pacific region whose mandate and activities are strongly related to quality of education, specifically learning assessment, curriculum and/or pedagogy

Associate Member refers to:

1. An organization/institution based outside the Asia-Pacific region whose mandate and activities are strongly related to quality of education, specifically learning assessment, curriculum and/or pedagogy

2. An individual expert based either in or outside the Asia-Pacific region who has extensive professional experience or expertise in the area of learning assessment, curriculum and/or pedagogy

To join NEQMAP, the applicant should submit documents specific to each type of membership.

For more information on this and membership approval procedure, please contact the NEQMAP Secretariat: neqmap@unesco.org.