NEQMAP 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.
What is NEQMAP?

The Network on Education Quality Monitoring in the Asia-Pacific (NEQMAP), established in March 2013 in Bangkok, Thailand, serves to **improve the quality of education in Asia-Pacific**. The overarching goal of NEQMAP is to strengthen education systems’ capacities to build effective and sustainable learning assessment systems and align these with curriculum and instruction. 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.

Our vision and mission

Strong education systems in Asia-Pacific where collaborative efforts continue to improve the quality of education.

"NEQMAP has associate members in the Netherlands and United Kingdom, though not represented in the map."
To enhance knowledge and consistency in policies and practices, NEQMAP emphasizes two programmatic areas to achieve quality learning outcomes, which are:

i) **competency-based learning**, including transversal competencies or 21st century skills, and

ii) **education system alignment** across assessment, pedagogy and curriculum.

**Key activities:**

1. Capacity development workshops on quality of education, student learning assessments, competency-based learning, and system alignment.

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. Research and analysis on quality of learning outcomes, including student learning assessments (summative and formative/large-scale and school-based) and competency-based learning.

5. Strengthening our online knowledge portal on monitoring quality education in the Asia-Pacific region.

6. Series of seminars and webinars on the topics related to quality of education and learning assessment, in particular the areas of competency-based learning and system alignment.

**What do we do?**

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

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

**Research and analysis**
- Comparative studies
- Mapping studies
- Case studies
- Topical research
- Policy briefs
- Thematic reviews

**Knowledge sharing**
- Online Knowledge Portal
- Network Meetings
- Seminars & Webinars
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

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