



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Regional Workshop on Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE): Progress and Way Forward on Tashkent Declaration and Commitments to Action for Transforming ECCE

Republic of Seychelles | Date: 18th to 21st November 2025

### PROGRAMME

OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY – DAY 1	
Date: Tuesday 18th November 2025, Savoy Resort & Spa, Beau Vallon, Mahe, Seychelles	
4:30 pm – 5:15 pm	Arrival of VVIPs, Overseas/Local Delegates and Guests
5:30 pm onwards (Guests to be seated by 5:15 pm)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>Welcoming Remarks</b>  Mrs. Shirley Choppy  Chief Executive Officer, IECD-UNESCO Category 2 Institute </li> <li> <b>Video Message from the UNESCO</b>  Mr. Borhene Chakroun  Director of the Policies and Lifelong Learning Systems Division and Acting Director of the UNESCO International Institute for Higher Education in Latin America and the Caribbean (IESALC), UNESCO </li> <li> <b>Cultural Performance</b>  IECD UNESCO Category 2 Theme Song: <i>The Promise</i> </li> <li> <b>Logo Unveiling &amp; Key Milestones: New Online System for Registration &amp; Inspection of Child Care Services, IECD</b>  Ms. Marie France Barra  Director General, Regulatory Affairs Division, IECD-UNESCO Category 2 Institute </li> <li> <b>Remarks &amp; Official Launch of the Institute's Online System</b>  Mr. Benjamin Choppy  Principal Secretary, Department of Information, Communications Technology </li> <li> <b>Keynote Address &amp; Official Opening of the 2nd Regional Workshop on ECCE</b>  Dr. Mmantsetsa Marope  Chairperson of the Governing Board, IECD-UNESCO Category 2 Institute </li> <li> <b>Cultural Performance</b>  Traditional Dances of Seychelles </li> <li> <b>Reception</b> </li> </ul>

MAIN WORKSHOP – DAY 2	
Date: Wednesday 19th November 2025	
Venue: L'Escale Resort Marina & Spa, Roche Caiman	
09:00 am – 09:45 am	<b>Session 1:</b> Tashkent Declaration & Commitments to Action for Transforming ECCE – Follow up <b>Presenter:</b> Ms. Rokhaya Fall DIAWARA <i>Programme Specialist and the Global Lead for Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris.</i> <b>Q&amp;A Session</b> (15-minute)
09:45 am – 10:15 am	<b>Session 2:</b> Overview of the Seychelles ECCE System & IECD, Category 2 Institute for ECCE under the Auspices of UNESCO <b>Presenter:</b> Mrs. Shirley CHOPPY <i>Chief Executive Officer, IECD-UNESCO Category 2 Institute</i>
10:15 am – 10:45 am	<b>Group Photo + Coffee &amp; Networking Break</b>
10:50 am – 11:25 am	<b>Session 3:</b> Overview of Regional Centre for Quality and Excellence in Education, UNESCO Category 2 Regional Centre (RCQE) <b>Presenter:</b> Dr. Ibrahim ALHUSSEIN <i>Manager of Educational Excellence &amp; Expert in Early Childhood Education, Riyadh Saudi Arabia</i>
COUNTRY PRESENTATIONS - PROGRESS IN ACHIEVING TASHKENT COMMITMENTS	
11:30 am - 12:00 pm	<b>Session 4: Country Presentation - Abu Dhabi, UAE</b> <b>Presenter:</b> Dr. Hanan SUKKAR, Advisor, Early Childhood Authority <b>Modality:</b> 15-minute presentation followed by a 15-minute and Q&A session
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	<b>Lunch &amp; Networking Break</b>
1:30 pm – 2:00 pm	<b>Session 5: Country Presentation - Dubai, UAE</b> <b>Presenter:</b> Dr. Latifa Abdullah Al Awadhi, Specialist Physician <b>Modality:</b> 15-minute presentation followed by a 15-minute and Q&A session
2:05 pm – 2:35 pm	<b>Session 6: Country Presentation - Oman</b> <b>Presenter:</b> Dr. Khadija ALI AL SALAMI, Director General of the Directorate General of Private Schools <b>Modality:</b> 15-minute presentation followed by a 15-minute and Q&A session
2:40 pm – 3:10 pm	<b>Session 7: Country Presentation - Cote d'Ivoire</b> <b>Presenter:</b> Mrs. Koutouan Ayaba Felicite DEGUENON, Directrice de la Coordination des Structures Sociales et de la Petite Enfance <b>Modality:</b> 15-minute presentation followed by a 15-minute and Q&A session
3:15 pm – 3:45 pm	<b>Session 8: Country Presentation - Seychelles</b> <b>Modality:</b> 15-minute presentation followed by a 15-minute and Q&A session
3:50 pm – 4:20 pm	<b>Coffee &amp; Networking Break</b>
4:25 pm – 4:55 pm	<b>Session 9:</b> Wrap-up - Highlights of Country Presentations <b>Presenter:</b> Dr. Andre LESTE <i>Education Consultant, IECD-UNESCO Category 2 Institute</i>

MAIN WORKSHOP – DAY 3	
Date: Thursday 20th November 2025	
Venue: L'Escale Resort Marina & Spa, Roche Caiman, Mahe	
9:00 am – 09:15 am	<b>Session 1: Country Presentation - Dubai, UAE</b> <b>Presenter:</b> <i>Dr. Amna Al Mulla, Acting Director of Curriculum Development Department, Curriculum and Assessment Sector, Ministry of Education</i> <b>Modality:</b> 15-minute presentation followed by a 15-minute and Q&A session
9:30 am – 9:45 am	<b>Session 2: Introduction of Group Deliberation</b> <b>Presenter:</b> <i>Dr. Andre LESTE, Education Consultant, IECD-UNESCO Category 2 Institute</i>
09:45 am – 10:30 am	<b>Session 3: Priorities and Support</b> <b>Modality: Group Deliberation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What are some of the strategic priority areas that may need developing, strengthening, or updating to move forward?</li> <li>What good practices can be shared?</li> <li>What kind of technical assistance and support would you need to implement the priorities in the short to medium term (2 to 3 years)?</li> <li>In what ways can Seychelles IECD/Category 2 Institute provide supportive actions?</li> </ul>
10.30 am – 11.00 am	<b>Coffee &amp; Networking Break</b>
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	<b>Session 4: Priorities and Support</b> <b>Modality:</b> Group Deliberation (Cont.)
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	<b>Lunch &amp; Networking Break</b>
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>Session 5: Priorities and Support - Reporting</b> <b>Modality:</b> Group Feedback - 10 minutes per Group followed by a 10-minute Plenary <b>Presenter:</b> A Delegate from each group
2:30 pm – 3:30 pm	<b>Coffee &amp; Networking Break</b>
OFFICIAL CLOSING CEREMONY	
3:35 pm – 4:30 pm	<b>Session 6: Way Forward - Category 2 Institute's Draft Framework for Action</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Presenter:</b> <i>Dr. Andre LESTE, Education Consultant</i></li> <li><b>Vote of Thanks:</b> <i>Dr. Ibrahim ALHUSSEIN, Manager of Educational Excellence &amp; Expert in Early Childhood Education, RCQE, Saudi Arabia</i></li> <li><b>Token Exchange/Presentation:</b> Country Representative/Seychelles IECD</li> <li><b>Closing Remarks:</b> <i>Dr. Javier ROSE, Chairman IECD Board</i></li> </ul>

EDUCATIONAL VISITS – DAY 4	
Date: Friday 21st November 2025	
9.00 am – 9:30 am	<b>Activity 1: Launching of UNESCO Category 2 Institute Campaign</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Venue:</b> Ile Perseverance</li> </ul>
9:45 am – 11:00 am	<b>Activity 2: Educational Visits</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Team 1: Health</b> – Pediatric Ward, Neonatal Unit; <b>Venue:</b> Seychelles Hospital</li> <li><b>Team 2: Education</b> – Private Pre-school (Trotter's Stop, Ile Du Port) &amp; Perseverance North - Primary School; <b>Venue:</b> Ile Perseverance</li> <li><b>Team 3: Education</b> – Footprints Beta Centre-based Child Care &amp; Perseverance North - Primary School; <b>Venue:</b> Ile Perseverance</li> <li><b>Team 4: Social and Family</b> – Kiddies Childminding Home-based Child Care, Ile Perseverance; <b>Venue:</b> Ile Perseverance</li> </ul>

<b>11:30 am – 4:00 pm</b>	<b>Activity 3:</b> Visit to National Park Sites, Morne Seychellois <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tree Planting at Tomazin, Sans Soucis</li> <li>• Historical Site/Tourist Attraction, Mission Lodge, Sans Soucis</li> <li>• Visit to President’s Village, Port Glaud (designated delegates from Oman)</li> </ul>
<b>1.00 pm</b>	<b>Lunch (Mission Lodge)</b>
<b>7:30 pm – 10:00 pm</b>	<b>Activity 4:</b> Social Event <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Official Dinner for Overseas Delegates hosted by the Chairman of the IECD Board</li> </ul>

<b>EDUCATIONAL VISIT – DAY 5</b>	
<b>Date: Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2025</b>	
<b>10.00 am – 12:00 pm</b>	<b>Activity 1:</b> Visit at Botanical Garden for Delegates from Oman and Saudi Arabia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Venue:</b> Mont Fleuri, Victoria</li> </ul>

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