11th Meeting of the Education for All Working Group

CREATE was represented at the 11th Education for All Working Group at UNESCO in Paris 2-3rd February, 2011 by Keith Lewin and Angela Little. This meeting reviews progress on EFA progress since the 1990 World Conference on Education (Jomtien, Thailand) and the Dakar Global Forum in preparation for the Tenth Meeting of the High Level Group on EFA, which will take place from 22 to 24 March 2011 (also in Jomtien, Thailand). The thematic concerns of the meeting were

- reviewing progress on EFA made since 1990
- improving the quality of education
- making the case for education
- violent conflict and education
- financing education

The meeting included a prelaunch discussion of the 2011 EFA Global Monitoring Report “Education and Violent Conflict”, regional reports on recent progress on EFA and other relevant publications and papers. The meeting brought together more than 100 participants representing governments, bilateral and multilateral organizations, civil society, the private sector, parliaments and research institutions.

The Director General of UNESCO has invited Angela Little to undertake a review of major EFA global initiatives programmes in collaboration with the Director of the EFA Global Partnerships team, in preparation for the 9th meeting of the EFA High Level Group in Jomtien later in the year.

CREATE has been asked to arrange a presentation of its research products at the International Institute of Educational Planning at a date to be announced.