

**The IATT *Toolkit for Mainstreaming HIV and AIDS in the Education Sector:*
Guidelines for Development Cooperation Agencies**

The UNAIDS Inter-Agency Task Team (IATT) on Education's *Toolkit for Mainstreaming HIV and AIDS in the Education Sector: Guidelines for Development Cooperation Agencies* was developed in 2008 to help education staff from development cooperation agencies, including both development and humanitarian-oriented multilateral and bilateral agencies as well as non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and other civil society organizations, to support the process of mainstreaming HIV and AIDS into education sector planning and implementation.

It provides resources and support to assess the progress countries have made with respect to HIV and AIDS mainstreaming; to identify entry points and opportunities where development agencies can support processes; and to establish priorities for advocacy and action. It is designed to be used as a reference tool or a resource for training and discussion, depending on the local needs and context.

The toolkit consists of:

- A joint agency position paper on HIV & AIDS and education, outlining the key principles and priorities that development cooperation agencies belonging to the UNAIDS IATT on Education subscribe to.
- A series of mainstreaming tools that focus on defining mainstreaming, assessing the status of mainstreaming of HIV and AIDS in education sector plans, identifying entry points, and conducting a stakeholder/partner analysis.
- A module on communication and advocacy specifically focusing on strategies for improving dialogue
- Two modules for mainstreaming gender equality and the issues of children who are vulnerable to and affected by HIV and AIDS in education responses to the epidemic.
- A checklist for periodically reviewing progress on the mainstreaming of HIV and AIDS in education sector plans.
- Reference materials on HIV and AIDS mainstreaming in education.
- A list of web resources and institutions with experience in the supporting mainstreaming of HIV and AIDS in education.

Currently available in hard copy and online (in PDF format) in [English](#), [French](#) and [Spanish](#), the IATT on Education is interested in developing implementation guidelines to support its use.