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ESTABLISHMENT OF CATEGORY 2 INSTITUTES AND CENTRES UNDER THE AUSPICES OF UNESCO

PART XIII

ESTABLISHMENT IN VICTORIA, SEYCHELLES, OF AN INSTITUTE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT (IECD) AS A CATEGORY 2 CENTRE UNDER THE AUSPICES OF UNESCO

OUTLINE

Source: 37 C/Resolution 93 and 207 EX/Decision 15.XII.

Background: Following a proposal by the Government of Seychelles to establish the Institute of Early Childhood Development (IECD) as a category 2 institute under the auspices of UNESCO, a mission was undertaken by UNESCO in August 2019 to assess its feasibility. The evaluation of the proposal was carried out in conformity with the criteria outlined in document [37 C/18 Part I](#).

Purpose: Following 207 EX/Decision 15.XII, the present document contains a draft resolution on granting IECD the status of a category 2 institute under the auspices of UNESCO. For reference, document [207 EX/15.XII](#) describes the proposal and reviews the prerequisites for the establishment of the IECD a category 2 institute, in conformity with document [37 C/18 Part I](#) relating to the principles and guidelines for the establishment and functioning of institutes and centres under the auspices of UNESCO (category 2) as approved by the General Conference in 37 C/Resolution 93.

Decision required: Paragraph 3.



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BACKGROUND

1. The Executive Board, at its 207th session, considered document [207 EX/15 Part XII](#) on the proposed establishment in Victoria, Seychelles of the Institute of Early Childhood Development (IECD) as a category 2 institute under the auspices of UNESCO. Having examined the above document, which describes the proposal and analyzes its feasibility in accordance with document [37 C/18 Part I](#) relating to the principles and guidelines for the establishment and functioning of institutes and centres under the auspices of UNESCO (category 2), as approved by the General Conference in 37 C/Resolution 93, the Executive Board welcomed the proposal to place this institute under UNESCO's auspices.

2. Through its 207 EX/Decision 15.XII, the Executive Board recommended that the General Conference, at its 40th session, grant IECD the status of a category 2 institute and authorize the Director-General to sign the corresponding agreement between UNESCO and the Government of Seychelles on its establishment.

Proposed draft resolution

3. In light of the above, the General Conference may wish to adopt a resolution along the following lines:

The General Conference,

Recalling the integrated comprehensive strategy for category 2 institutes and centres under the auspices of UNESCO, as approved by the General Conference in 37 C/Resolution 93,

Also recalling 207 EX/Decision 15.XII,

Having examined document 40 C/18.XIII,

1. *Welcomes* the proposal by Seychelles to establish in Victoria, Seychelles, the Institute of Early Childhood Development (IECD) as an institute under the auspices of UNESCO (category 2), in accordance with the guidelines for the establishment and functioning of institutes and centres under the auspices of UNESCO (category 2) contained in document 37 C/18.I, as approved by the General Conference in 37 C/Resolution 93;
2. *Approves* the establishment in Victoria, Seychelles, of the Institute of Early Childhood Development (IECD) as an institute under the auspices of UNESCO (category 2), as recommended by the Executive Board at its 207th session (207 EX/Decision 15.XII);
3. *Authorizes* the Director-General to sign the corresponding agreement.