



Capacity Building of CSOs to participate in Adult Education Advocacy – ASPBAE's Experience



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**Asia South Pacific Association
for Basic and Adult Education**





A movement for change

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ASPBAE is a regional association of organizations committed to promoting Education for All, adult education, and learning

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- Began in 1964
- Over 200 member organisations across 30 countries.
- A mix of education practitioners and advocates
- Roots are in adult education; now the 6 EFA goals, but still with a strong emphasis on AE
- Name change to reflect this
- On the Board of GCE; UNESCO CCNGO; ICAE; UNGEI Global Advisory Committee
- www.aspbae.org



The 4 sub-regions



South Asia



South Pacific



South East Asia



East Asia

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Core beliefs



Governments are responsible for ensuring education for all citizens

Education is a right for all



Gender justice is integral to Education for All

Adult education enables people to fight discrimination and exclusion, and participate meaningfully in decisions that impact their lives





Millions denied their right to education!



Over 63% of illiterate people in the world live in the Asia South Pacific



More than half of them are women

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Interconnected Strategies at multiple levels



Policy Advocacy

Leadership & Capacity Building

Strategic Partnerships

National
Sub-regional
Regional
International

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National level collaboration & capacity support

- National education coalitions, thematic networks and member organisations
- Eg Research - to build the evidence base for informed advocacy. Eg Education survey & literacy assessment in PNG, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu and Timor Leste.
- Skills development: policy analysis, advocacy strategies; writing policy briefs; building confidence to negotiate with officials, resource mobilisation

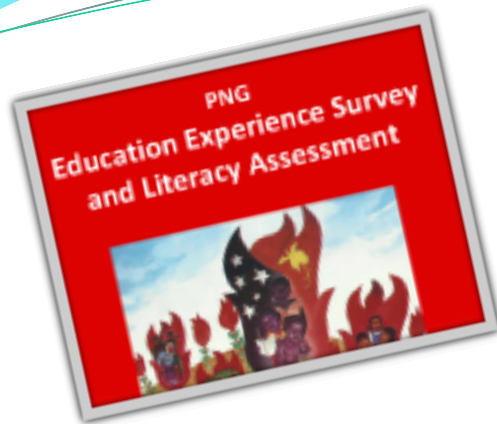


Policy Advocacy

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Policy research, analysis, campaigning, and lobbying



Education Experience Survey & Literacy Assessment



- Solomon Islands Government asked COESI to take the lead in developing a national literacy policy
- Vanuatu MPs want their own provinces surveyed
- PNG Ministers proclaimed more needs to be spent on adult literacy
- South – South & Regional – National collaboration



Leadership and Capacity Building

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Nurturing leaders from grass roots organizations, education coalitions, and civil society organizations



Leadership and Capacity Building

BLDC - Expanding the leadership corps

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Targeting second-line leadership for the adult education movement in the region



Leadership and Capacity Building

Quality Adult Education – (QAE)

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QAE: rights-based, gender-just, and empowering

Themes: 1) Women's political participation
2) Indigenous education



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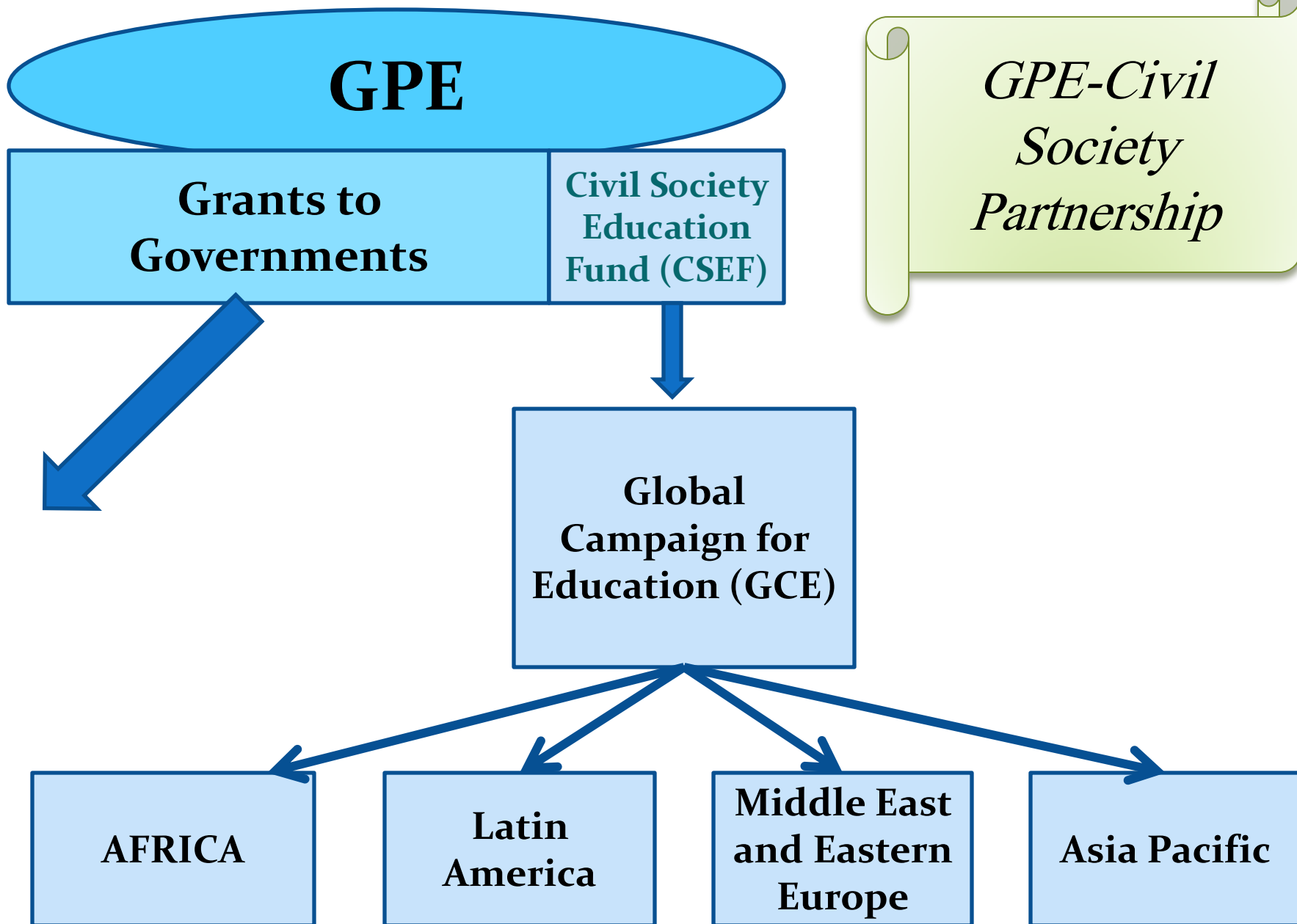
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Training of Facilitators
Training of Advocates

Global Campaign for Education (GCE)

- Large global movement of education CSOs:
 - INGOs: ActionAid, Plan, Save the Children, Oxfam, Care, World Vision, VSO, Results, Childfund
 - Education International (Teachers Union)
 - Regional organisations
 - Over 120 national education coalitions
- www.campaignforeducation.org



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Vanuatu Education Policy Advocacy Coalition (VEPAC)

Tajikistan

AFGHANISTAN



Advocacy & Organisational Capacity Building



In-country CB: visits, calls, mentoring

Sub-regional & regional training and exchange

Sub-regional & regional advocacy collaboration: eg SAARC

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Policy Advocacy – Documenting Approaches & Achievements



Education Watch -Tracking governments' progress in achieving quality EFA

School Report Cards – Grading countries on education efforts

Persuading Powers – 24 stories of national coalition good practice & lessons learnt



Strategic Partnerships

Global Campaign
for Education
(GCE)

Global Call to
Action Against
Poverty (GCAP)

International Council
for Adult Education
(ICAE)



DVV International

UNGEI

UNESCO
CCNGO
& UIL

Inter-regional partnership: ANCEFA – Education
Watch

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Some Key Lessons

- Multi-level collaboration on policy analysis & advocacy
- Multi-stakeholder alliance building: AE & NFE needs all the allies it can find collaborating
- Use distinct AE & NFE platforms as well as broader platforms
- Added value of regional support & advocacy: national level capacity support, knowledge sharing; broader perspective; link global to national
- CSOs can make an impact but face constant resource challenges
- South-south and north-south collaboration
- Value of inter-regional collaboration

ASPBAE with National Coalitions at the GCE World Assembly: national, regional, global collaboration on education policy advocacy





Thank You!