

Education in Haiti

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Greetings

- Happy to be here at Congress briefing with BEC partners
- Apologies for Minister of Education not coming
- Great interest of Minister for this session on Haiti
- Great opportunity for us to present Haiti Education system before this eminent assembly
- Thanks to AIR/PHARE project for inviting us



Haiti

- Population: 9.9 million
- 60% are 25 years old or younger
- Basic education system: 1st - 9th grade
- 2.5 million children in primary school (1st - 6th grades)
- Education is a priority for all parents
- Parents contribute to schooling for up to 40% of their revenues



Basic Education in Haiti (1)

- 16,000 schools (1 classroom and up)
- 12% are public schools with 25% of students
- 70% net enrollment rate
- Great % of over-aged students
- 500,000 school-aged children out of school
- High repetition rate
- Drop-out rate increasing



Basic Education in Haiti (2)

- 60,000 teachers
- 20% are qualified (42% in public, 12% in private schools)
- High turn-over rate
- Low career development, low salaries
- Poor quality output
 - **Do not achieve standards**
 - **Completion rate (50%)**



Basic Education in Haiti (3)

- Scattered and uncoordinated partner/donor interventions
- Management capacity of the Ministry of Education needs improvement



Strategies

- Poverty Reduction Strategy (PRS): security, health, job creation, stability, food self- sufficiency
- Education For All (EFA): national strategy
- Fast Track Initiative (FTI)

... to improve quality and access



Current MENFP Strategies

- Capacity-building (central and decentralized)
- Better coordination of partner interventions
- School rehabilitation and construction
- School subsidies and funding (scholarship and learning materials)
- Non-formal education
- Teacher training (pre-service and in service)
- School feeding program



Education Strategies: Limitations

- Insufficient resources to fully implement the strategies
 - **At the national level**
 - **Covering all regions**



Imperative to increase assistance to the Education sector in Haiti, specifically to the Ministry, in order to achieve:

- **Millennium challenge goals**
- **EFA-FTI goals**
- **Economic growth and poverty reduction through quality human resources**
- **Stability and democracy**



- **Strategic level:**
 - Capacity-building of the Ministry of Education
 - Strategic management of the sector

- **Operational level:**
 - Teacher training
 - School construction
 - School feeding program
 - School management and accreditation
 - Etc.



Additional resource mobilization

- USG through USAID is contributing 17% of the multi-national and bilateral assistance to the Ministry of Education in Haiti
- Extremely important contribution, but needs to be increased



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Merci!

Thank you!