Teachers for the Future: 
Meeting Teacher Shortages to Achieve Education for All 

National Steering Group, Bulgaria 
Third Session, Sofia, 17 May 2005 

Protocol 

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Agenda 
1. Discussion of the current draft of the National Report. 
2. Discussion of the organization of the National Forum where project results will be presented. 
3. Other. 

Discussion and Decisions 
1. The participants were informed about progress in gathering working materials and commented that they are in accordance with the Conceptual Framework proposed by ILO, which was approved during the second session of the National Steering Group. The Group agreed that there is a need for additional statistical data and comments. Each of the participants committed himself/herself to further develop his/her part of the Report. 

2. The participants agreed that by 27 May 2005 each of them will send to the Chair of the National Steering Group the necessary materials in order to further develop the draft report. 

3. The participants agreed that the Chair of the National Steering Group, Mr. Zahari Zahariev, and Mr. Deyan Pilev will complete the draft report and will send it via e-mail to each member of the Group by the end of May. 

4. The participants agreed that each of them, after receiving the draft report, will give his/her comments and recommendations on the report within 5 working days. 

5. The English translation of the draft report should be done by 1 July 2005 in order to be sent to ILO. 

6. The participants accepted the idea of organizing a National Forum with the following parameters:
a. Duration: a day and a half (or 2 days depending on available funding)


c. Foreign participation: the NSG expects the ILO to invite EU experts to participate in the National Forum according to available funding

According to the Group members the best time for organizing the Forum is after the full completion of the National Report. In this respect the Group proposal is that this event should take place in the middle of October.

7. R. Kusheva and Zahari Zahariev committed themselves to preparing and sending to ILO a draft budget for the organization of the National Forum.

25 May, 2005  Assoc. Prof. Dr. Zahary Zahariev
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