

## **Education Forum AGENDA** v3.0

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020 10-12 UK Time / 12-14.00 Malawi Time

<u>Special Guests:</u> Hon. Agnes Nyalonje: Minister for Education, Government of Malawi

Ms Jenny Gilruth MSP: Minister for Europe & Int. Development, Scottish Government

Meeting Chair: Dr Yonah Matemba: University of the West of Scotland, & Chair of the SMP's FE/HE Forum

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Aims of Meeting: (1) Listen to, and be led by, the priorities of Malawi's new Minister for Education;

(2) Brief Ministers Nyalonje and Gilruth on the scale and impact of education partnerships; (3) Discuss innovative new areas of education cooperation between Scotland & Malawi

UK	Malawi	Item	Speaking	
Time	Time			
10.00	12.00	Welcome and introductions	Dr Yonah Matemba	
		Purpose of meeting, agenda, admin and chatbox introductions		
Speeches and Q&A				
10.05	12.05	Keynote address	Hon Agnes Nyalonje,	
		Malawi education: Challenges, priorities and opportunities upcoming	Minister for Education,	
		for the Minister, and the Minister's vision for how best to use the		
		Scotland-Malawi relationship to support quality education in Malawi.		
10.15	12.15	Scottish Government remarks	Ms Jenny Gilruth MSP,	
		Remarks from Minister Gilruth, herself a former Scottish teacher, on	International	
		current and future Scotland-Malawi education cooperation.	Development Minister	
10.25	12.25	Q&A with Ministers	Hon Agnes Nyalonje &	
		A quick Q&A with Minister Nyalonje and Minister Gilruth	Ms Jenny Gilruth MSP	
Briefing: Scotland-Malawi Education Partnerships:				
10.35	12.35	(a) Primary and Secondary School Partnerships	- Richard Travers, George	
		Quick briefing with 2-3 short school partnership case studies	Watson's College	
			- Ruth Maluwa, MaSP	
			- Emma Watson (QMU) &	
			Gift Thompson (Steka	
			Skills)	
10.50	12.50	(b) Development projects supporting primary & secondary education	- Harold Kuombola, Link	
		Quick briefing with 2-3 short case studies from education NGOs	Education International	
			- Brian Kerr, Soko Fund	
			- Karen Goodman-Jones,	
			Sense Scotland	
11.05	13.05	(c) Further and Higher Education Partnerships	- Prof Bob Kalin, University	
		Quick briefing with 2-3 short FE/HE partnership case studies	of Strathclyde	
			- Prof Heather Cubie,	
			University of Edinburgh	
			- Henry Kadzuwa, Mzuzu	
			University with University	
44.55	40.55		of Edinburgh	
11.20	13.20	Q&A with case studies	Hon Agnes Nyalonje &	
		Opportunity for Ministers to ask questions of the case studies	Ms Jenny Gilruth MSP	

	Discussions: Shared learning and future planning				
11.30	13.30	Covid-19: Our shared challenge in re-starting & sustaining education:	Hon Agnes Nyalonje		
		Two-way sharing of experience between Scotland and Malawi on re-			
		starting and sustaining formal education through the pandemic.			
11.40	13.40	Innovation and future developments in education partnerships:  Open space for discussion around innovation and development: the importance of Black Lives Matter leadership, perspective and insight; e-learning and how we can use the bilateral relationship to support education, including in the digital space.	- Mick James - Pilirani Kumasewera, Padziwe		
11.57	13.57	Summary of SMP next steps:	David Hope-Jones		
		Quick summary of the Partnership's next steps in following up on the	SMP, Chief Exec		
		discussions			
12.00	14.00	Close	Dr Yonah Matemba		