What kind of sustainable education for our common future?

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) will be implemented from 2016-2030. SDG 4 focuses on education. What should be the policies and means to achieve SDG 4 (education)? Should education mostly increase a country’s productivity, economic growth, national competitiveness and make school and university leavers better fit for the labour market? Should education be considered a private or public good available free of charge or be based on fee-paying tuition? If so, what about non-market educational goals such as conveying a sense of ethics, citizenship, human rights and democratic principles?

These important questions will be debated by speakers with many years of professional experience in the educational field in developed and developing countries.

During this Library Talk, a new book titled "NÉOLIBÉRALISME ET ÉDUCATION" by Jean Luis Chancerel and Sacha Varin (2015) be presented as well as publications by NORRAG (Network for International Policies and Cooperation in Education and Training) and an overview of The Swiss Development Cooperation’s new strategy regarding cooperation in education for African Least Developed Countries.

Wednesday 15 June 2016
1 p.m. - 2.30 p.m.
Followed by a reception

Library Events Room (B-135)
Palais des Nations, Building B, 1st Floor

Welcome Remarks:
Francesco Pisano, Chief, UNOG Library

Introductory Remarks:
Raymond Saner, Organiser, CSEND

Moderator:
Valérie Liechti, Ph.D, Education Policy Advisor, SDC, Berne

Speakers:
Gilles Carbonnier, Professor, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva
Michel Carton, Professor, former Deputy Director, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva
Bernard Hugonnier, Ph.D, former deputy director of the OECD Education Directorate, Paris
Joost Monks, Ph.D, Managing Director, NORRAG, Geneva
Sacha Varin; Ph.D, Educator and author, Lausanne
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