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14 & 15 OCTOBER 2020

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AGENDA

WEDNESDAY 14 TH OCTOBER		
Time (BST)	Session	Description
11:00-11:45	Opening Session: The Power of Networks	GSF's power is its network; it's the connections among and between members that creates knowledge and strengthens the GSF community.
12:30-13:30	A. Build Back Better: Closing Learning Gaps for Every Child	Facilitated by Cate Noble, Better Purpose To mitigate the precipitous drops in student achievement due to COVID-19, three things must be true: instruction must be adapted to meet the needs of students, teachers' must understand and appreciate their students' experiences during quarantine, and schools have to ready themselves to welcome students back. During this session, panelists will share more about what needs to be true to ensure all students are on-track to achievement.
12:30-13:30	B. Maintaining and Strengthening Child Protection Practices during COVID-19	Facilitated by Erin Northey, EducAid This session will focus on key Child Protection challenges, transferable across contexts, and innovative solutions.
14:00-14:45	Networking: Meet the GSF Community	
15:00-16:00	A. Networks Transcending Borders: What we've learned about Building a multi-national network	Facilitated by Sunita Arora, One World Network of Schools In this conversation, panelists will share insights about lessons learned, challenges and benefits of operating in more than one geography. Insights will support others who are working in more than one geography, or who are looking to expand across geographies.
15:00-16:00	B. The Evolving Role of ECE Providers: Effectively Engaging with Parents and Caregivers during COVID-19	Facilitated by Amanda Devercelli, World Bank Leaders of three ECE programmes will share what they've learned about the needs of their students' caregivers and the diverse ways they've provided differentiated support to meet their needs.
16:30-17:30	COVID-19 school closures: Estimating Learning and Earnings Losses	Facilitated by Harry Patrinos, World Bank More than 1.6 billion children were not in school at the height of the lockdown. Estimates show that these absences will reduce learning outcomes in the short term and potentially decrease future earnings for the students impacted. How large are these losses? Will they materialize? What can we do to mitigate against them?
16:30-17:30	Challenge Carousel	School operators and intermediaries will share a specific organisational challenge and leverage the skills and expertise of their colleagues to identify solutions and new perspectives. <i>This is a closed session for GSF members only.</i>

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THURSDAY 15TH OCTOBER

Time (BST)	Session	Description
10:30-11:00	GSF: Where we've been and where we're going	Led by Aashti Zaidi Hai, GSF Hear a "year-in-review" from GSF, key milestones achieved and learn about our 20-21 plans.
11.00-12.00	In Conversation: Government Leaders Discuss the Promise of Education Innovation	Facilitated by Susannah Hares, Center for Global Development Featured in this conversation will be elected officials who have supported innovations designed to improve and strengthen their country's education sector. Participants will leave with a better understanding of the leadership and mindset needed to provide all students with an outstanding education.
12:30-13:30	A. Partnering with Local Government to Scale Instructional Efforts	Facilitated by George Srour, Building Tomorrow With the onset of COVID-19, government and education providers created innovative partnerships to radically scale their efforts. Panelists will discuss the ways in which these partnerships will continue and strengthen past COVID-19.
12:30-13:30	B. Lessons learned from GSF's first Peer Review	Facilitated by Morty Ballen, GSF Three practitioners collaborated during GSF's inaugural peer review to serve as critical friends and serve as a mirror to one colleague's practice. In this session, participants in the peer review will describe the essential "ingredients" necessary to implement a robust peer review process.
14:00-14:45	Networking: Meet the GSF Community	
15:00-16:00	A. The Needs of Students or the Needs of the Community? The Complicated Role of School During a Crisis	Facilitated by Vandana Goyal, Avanti Fellows Is a school's priority to ensure its students don't experience learning gaps? Or must the school take on a larger role to ensure students and families have access to food, accurate health information, or other basic needs? This tension will be explored in this session.
15:00-16:00	B. Sole Proprietor Schools: Their Role and Future in a post-Covid World	Facilitated by Deborah Kimathi, Dignitas Hear insights into the important role these schools play, the unique challenges they've experienced during COVID-19, and the important contributions they're poised to make to the wider education landscape.
16:30-17:30	CEO Reflection: Leadership through COVID-19	Facilitated by Reshma Patel, Impact Network <i>This is a closed session for CEOs only</i>

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Office Hour Slots

IDEO

Are you looking to craft your pitch deck in a way that tells the story of your organisation's work in a succinct, clear and inspiring manner? Are you an early-stage organisation thinking about designing a robust scale strategy? Adithya Narayanan from [IDEO](#) will be available to brainstorm with you on these questions.

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InHive

Are you looking to create alumni networks in a low-resourced context or to enhance your existing alumni networks? Speak with Ján Michalko and Madeleine Harris from [InHive](#) to learn more the power of alumni networks.

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