



Global Forum 2025

Reimagining the Education of Humanity for the Third Millennium

Azim Premji University 13-15th February 2025

Closing Statement

The <u>Global Forum 2025: Reimagining the Education of Humanity for the Third Millennium</u> took place at Azim Premji University in Bengaluru, India on 13-15th February 2025. The objective was to discuss the themes central to the globally agreed <u>Declaration: Educating Humanity for the Third Millennium</u> with a view to reimagining education for the future. The Forum was attended by 160 participants from 27 countries from all inhabited continents.

The Forum was the result of work that began in 2019 in Dharamsala, India, where an international drafting committee of educators and scholars compiled a draft Declaration on the future of education. The draft was examined in a series of Regional Roundtables in 2021-2023 in Asia, Europe, Africa, North America, Latin America and Oceania. These Roundtables enabled an extended drafting committee, comprising members from all over the world, to finalize the text.

As a result, the <u>Declaration: Educating Humanity for the Third Millennium</u> represents the views and hopes of a globally representative body of educators as to how education might address current societal and political crises, the rapid development of AI and other technologies, and the forging of new relationships between humanity and the entirety of Nature and planet Earth.

We, the organizers and participants of the Global Forum 2025, jointly affirm that:

- 1. We approve the Global Declaration '*Educating Humanity for the Third Millennium*' (2024) in its current form, and we will develop short forms of its presentation in texts and images, and, most importantly, in the form of a concise Manifesto.
- 2. We will continue the movement associated with the Declaration and the Forum, further defining the form and status of the movement, as well as creating the necessary organizational and working structures to involve and build on the enthusiasm and commitment of the Forum participants and other interested colleagues.
- 3. We will attempt to initiate a dialogue on the ideas of the Declaration and the Forum by reaching out to organisations and societies in the academic, political and non-governmental spheres at national, regional and global levels.
- 4. We will work on the subsequent outcomes of the Forum, such as
 - a. The theoretical developments of the ideas of the Declaration and their implementation in various contexts, with the possible publication of a book that builds on the Declaration;
 - b. The creation of a database of educational initiatives that exemplify the ideas of the Declaration by collecting, describing and presenting practices across different countries.





We agreed that:

- 5. The Voices of Children and Youth should become an important part of the movement.
- 6. A second Global Forum should be held in 2 years.
- 7. An Interim Executive Council (IEC) should be formed, as swiftly as possible, to work on the commitments made at the Global Forum 2025.

The Steering Committee of the Global Forum 2025

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