Safe Reopening of Schools

Agenda: Online Sessions

PLENARY (60 MIN):
1. Introduction
   > SEAMEO, UNESCO
2. Keynote from education sector
   > UNESCO
3. Evidence/science on safe reopening of schools
   > London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine – Hygiene Hub
4. WinS interventions – guidance and criteria for reopening of schools
   > WASH in Schools Network recommendations:
     a. Knowledge map: WASH in Schools & coronavirus
     b. 10 immediate WASH in Schools (WinS) actions for school heads to manage the response to COVID-19 and supportive checklists
5. Cost estimation of WinS interventions for reopening of schools
   > Vietnam (c/o UNICEF EAPRO)

BREAKOUT GROUPS (60 MIN):
EAPRO COUNTRY BREAKOUT GROUPS (3 TO 4 COUNTRIES PER GROUP)
- Country presentations
- Discussion of country experiences

BREAKOUT GROUP FOR OBSERVERS
- Global strategies to support reopening of schools
- Experiences on reopening of schools
- Information on trends in the region
- Q&A

PLENARY (45 MIN)
- Presentation of key points from the breakout groups
- Capacity building for WinS interventions for reopening of schools
- Sharing of existing platforms for data on WinS COVID-19

PLENARY (15 MIN)
- Announcement and mechanics of follow up workshop for country action planning

Closing

Context
This Mini International Learning Exchange (Mini-ILE) aims to help countries prepare for the reopening of schools, with a focus on WASH and infection prevention and control (IPC) interventions.

Participants
Participants will come from all the 14 countries in the East Asia and Pacific region including government partners and their development partners, civil society organizations, academia, and the private sector. Participants from other regions are welcomed as observers.

AIMS OF THE MINI-ILE
The main purpose of the Mini-ILE is to share existing good practices, information, and materials available to support countries in the process of reopening schools or currently facing challenges in school reopenings. Evidence-based data and information on COVID-19 infection, prevention, and control and WASH response plans will be introduced and discussed. Countries will be given the opportunity to exchange experiences, plans, and challenges.

Outcomes
It is expected that at the end of the session participants will learn from each other and be aware of the innovative solutions available for reopening of schools in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.