

Dear Sir, Madam,

following the request of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights concerning the fourth phase of the World Program on Human Rights Education let me forward you the information of the Slovak Ministry of Education:

Based on the past experience, the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic recommends focusing on wider contexts related to the education and training in the field of human rights.

The Ministry of Education is currently in the process of setting up cooperation with UNESCO within the three areas: **Education for Global Citizenship, Prevention of Violent Extremism through Education and Education for Sustainable Development** which are part of the Sustainable Goal No. 4.7 within the United Nations Agenda 2030. The final document covering this cooperation should be the Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports of the Slovak Republic and the UNESCO Education Section.

Education for Global Citizenship emphasizes the global context in learning. The Ministry of Education **understands it as a dimension in education that crosses all subjects**. Through it, **there is an increase in awareness of current global issues** (Poverty and Hunger, Demographic Development in the World, Democracy and Civil Society, Fair Trade, Gender, Globalization, Humanitarian and Development Aid, Human Rights, Media, Minorities, Refugees and Migration, War Conflicts and Terrorism, Education, Xenophobia and Discrimination vs. tolerance and multiculturalism, Health, Environment) concerning each individual, the **development of critical thinking** in these topics, and a deeper understanding of areas and themes that concern the world.

Best regards,

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