



PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Study Visit to Finland (12–18 Jan 2018)

Sunday 14 Jan	Introduction to the Finnish education ecosystem and teambuilding activities.
Monday 15 Jan	Visits to Schools & Omnia for Vocational Institute.
Tuesday 16 Jan	School visits & Meeting with Helsinki University.
Wednesday 17 Jan	Hackathon centered around HQSF's new mission. Participants will split into 5 groups as per the themes of the Palestine dialogue activities

Thematic Dialogue Activities in Palestine

(Jan – Apr 2018)

Five three-day Thematic Dialogue Activities in Palestine involving core 25 participants and additional invitees from Palestinian education ecosystem. The Thematic Dialogue Activities will be varied and interactive including presentations as food for thought as well as group and pair work.

Tuesday 30 Jan (half-day)	KICK OFF Introduction to the program
Wednesday - Thursday 31 Jan - 01 Feb	THE EDUCATION ECOSYSTEM , Facilitated by: Ms. Mervi Jansson, Ms. Anna Helenius, Mr. Bob Karlsson.
Tuesday - Thursday 20 Feb – 22 Feb	LEADERSHIP , Facilitated by: Ms. Anna Helenius, Ms. Leena Pöntynen.
Tuesday - Thursday 20 Mar – 22 Mar	THE TEACHER , Facilitated by: Ms. Anna Helenius, Mr. Bob Karlsson
Tuesday - Thursday 03 April - 05 April	THE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT , Facilitated by: Ms. Anna Helenius, Dr. Teemu Leinonen
Tuesday 24 April	REFORM , Facilitated by: Ms. Anna Helenius, Dr. Teemu Leinonen
Thursday 26 April	CLOSING Sharing takeaway and conclusions

Workshop 1

The Education Ecosystem

(30 Jan – 1 Feb 2018)

Facilitated by: Ms. Mervi Jansson, Ms. Anna Helenius and Mr. Bob Karlsson.

Tuesday- 30 Jan

Kick off & Frugal Innovation fair to highlight personal best practices using the techniques of speed dating and gallery walk. Discussion “What core competencies should students be getting from the education system?” (hard and soft skills).

Wednesday- 31 Jan

Visit to Dual Studies program at Al-Quds University – Abu Dis. Discussion of education ecosystem on the school/organization level and the regional level, creating a mind map.

Thursday- 1 Feb

Discussion and mapping of education ecosystem on the national level. “I promise” exercise.

Workshop 2

Leadership

(20 Feb – 22 Feb 2018)

Facilitated by Ms. Leena Pöntynen and
Ms. Anna Helenius.

Tuesday- 20 Feb

Determining the values of our dream school in Palestine in 2025. Group work around the building blocks needed for our dream school (mission, foundation, fun extras).

Wednesday- 21 Feb

Visit to Al Nokhba Private School in Hebron. Group work around the strengths and weakness of an organization, and making a 3-year development plan. Looking at leadership vs. management tasks in a school or organization.

Thursday- 22 Feb

Lunch at Episcopal Vocational School in Ramallah. Continuation of work on development plan. "I promise" exercise.

Workshop 3

The Teacher

(20 March – 22 March 2018)

Facilitated by Mr. Bob Karlsson and Ms. Anna Helenius.

Tuesday- 20 March

Group discussion around the purpose of school. Looking at the role of the teacher tomorrow. Introduction of Visible Learning. Feedback and Assessment using Bloom's Taxonomy.

Wednesday- 21 March

Sharing of best practices by participants. Growth mindset vs. Fixed Mindset quiz and presentation, plus discussion of how to help our students adopt a growth mindset. What are the 21st century competencies required of a teacher, and how do we reinforce these competencies (the 6 C's).

Thursday- 22 March

Visit to the Education Department at Birzeit University to learn about teacher training program. Drafting an individual competence building plan (assessing our weaknesses and how to address those weaknesses). "I promise" exercise.

Workshop 4

The Learning Environment

(03 April – 05 April 2018)

Facilitated by Dr. Teemu Leinonen and Ms. Anna Helenius.

Tuesday- 03 April

What do schools look like around the world? Discussion of what elements indicate that this is a school, and what the purpose is of these elements. Designing our ideal physical learning environment making sure to keep pedagogical objectives in mind. Sharing of best practices by participants.

Wednesday- 04 April

Looking at the social learning environment in the school, specifically the topics of bullying and use of digital devices, using the Fishbowl Discussion technique. Participants experience a positive usage of digital tools in education by playing Seppo – an online educational game that took them on an adventure around the neighborhood. Introduction of metamedia and the changing world.

Thursday- 05 April

Visit to the Nur Shams Basic Girls School (UNRWA) in Nur Shams refugee camp. Group activity around what schools will look like in the future, i.e. what we want to keep and what we want to change. "I promise" exercise.

Workshop 5

Reform

(24 April 2018)

Facilitated by Dr. Teemu Leinonen.

Tuesday- 24 April

Looking at the theory of complex change and the 5 elements needed to achieve change (vision, skills, incentive, resources and action plan). Drafting a program vision for education in Palestine. Drafting a program declaration outlining recommendations for furthering education in Palestine.
