

**Webinar #2****Using data to improve learning: the « Shawara Karatu » initiative in Niger****September 28th, 2023**

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm GMT



## Context

The Education Quality Management Program launched a series of four webinars in June 2023 aimed at technical and financial partners involved in the education sector. The main objective of these webinars is to present the achievements and results of the Education Quality Management Program to education development partners and to discuss potential synergies in considering the sustainability of the program's achievements. **The conceptual note outlining this webinar series is available [here](#).**

The **first webinar**, held on June 20, 2023, was titled "An Analysis of Education Quality Management Practices: Approach and Findings." It addressed the program's approach and the key findings from the diagnosis of quality management practices. **All the resources related to this first webinar can be found [here](#).** The **other three webinars**, which form the core of the webinar series, will present the workstreams and the solutions proposed to improve the management of education quality.

## Zoom on Webinar #2: Using Data to Improve Learning: The "Shawara Karatu" Initiative in Niger

The use of data for informed decision-making lies at the core of the education quality management process. Despite the substantial volume of data routinely collected within educational systems, their potential to inform educational strategies and enhance learning outcomes remains largely untapped.

During its diagnostic phase, the program undertook a thorough analysis of the practices of stakeholders regarding data utilization, aiming to gain a more precise understanding of the constraints affecting the use of data produced by educational systems. National diagnostics thus shed light on the various underlying reasons for the limited utilization of data.

In light of these findings, the Program supported the Nigerian education system in developing an innovative solution: the Shawara Karatu Initiative, which means "dialogue and consultation on education" in the local language. This initiative aims to strengthen the use of data at the middle-tier level of the education system by establishing forums for dialogue and consultation between education stakeholders within each district. These forums provide an opportunity to discuss the educational issues identified through prior data analysis and to implement a concerted action plan to improve the quality of education within the district.

During this **second webinar**, we will first discuss the factors contributing to the underutilization of data, as well as the inherent potential in both quantitative and qualitative data produced by educational systems, along with the necessary conditions to ensure their optimal utilization. Then, we will present the "Shawara Karatu" Initiative, with a particular focus on the experimentation process, lessons learned, as well as the initial changes and questions raised by this initiative. Finally, we will address ongoing considerations regarding the scaling up of this pilot experience.

## Participants

This webinar is aimed at technical and financial partners involved in education in Sub-Saharan African countries and interested in the issue of data utilization.

**Webinar Modalities and Format** The webinar will be conducted online with simultaneous translation in both French and English. The estimated duration is 90 minutes, with a combination of presentations and discussions.

The second webinar is scheduled for **September 28, 2023**, from **2:00 PM to 3:30 PM GMT**.

Participation will be facilitated through the following registration link (*people who have already registered for Webinar #1 no longer need to register again*):

<https://surveys.iiep.unesco.org/index.php/623272?lang=fr>

## **Provisional Agenda for Webinar #2: Using Data to Improve Learning: The "Shawara Karatu" Initiative in Niger**

<b>Horaires (GMT)</b>	<b>Activités</b>
2:00 – 2:10	Opening
2:10 – 2:40	<u>Presentation 1</u> : <b>Using Data to Improve Learning: Challenges and Prerequisites</b>  <b>Discussion</b>
2:40 – 2:10	<u>Presentation 2</u> : <b>A Promising Solution: The "Shawara Karatu" Initiative in Niger</b>  <b>Discussion</b>
3:10–3:30	<u>Presentation 3</u> : <b>Considerations for Scaling the "Shawara Karatu" Initiative</b>  <b>Discussion</b>