



UNESCO Chair in Education  
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Abai Kazakh National  
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**Report**  
**of UNESCO Chair in Education science and Teacher Training**  
**of Abai KazNPU**  
**for 2022-2023 years**

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Training of  
Abai KazNPU

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## 2022 year

The work started in the 2020-2021 academic year continued in 2021-2022. During this period, the department paid more attention to the implementation of SDG 4.

In total, the department held 14 events in 2021-2022:

2 international conferences,

8 webinars,

2 contests,

1 forum,

1 training.

2 documents have been developed: 1) Sustainable development policy of the “Abai KazNPU” non-profit joint-stock company dated November 25, 2021; 2) The program for the implementation of the SDG policy of Abai KazNPU dated August 23, 2022.

Participation in the project of the UNESCO Cluster Office for Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan in Almaty (the project is in progress).

A feature of 2022 was the involvement of school teachers and young teachers in the implementation of SDG 4 through improving the quality of the formation of students’ reading literacy:

10. In order to improve the qualifications of Almaty teachers on the method of developing students’ reading literacy, the UNESCO Department held **6 open lectures and webinars** under the general theme: “Updating the content of secondary education in the light of the Sustainable development goals” (March 14, April 7, April 18, April 26, May 14, June 17). 168 pedagogical workers were trained on this topic. Deputy principals of Almaty schools for academic work, school teachers (143 people) and TPE teachers (25 people) participated as listeners.

A total of **8 webinars and open lectures** for **360** university teachers and students were held in 2022.

11. On 1 June, 2022, there was held an international webinar “Education for sustainable development and global citizenship” for young teachers of Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan. The webinar was organized by the UNESCO Department with the participation of Meirgul Alpysbayeva, the National Specialist in the Education Program of the UNESCO Cluster Office in Almaty. The webinar was held at the end of the International distance competition for young teachers and students “From young to young”.

12. 02-03.06.2022, the head of the UNESCO Chair in Education science and Teacher Training made a report “Development of functional reading literacy of students based on problem-based learning” at the international scientific and practical conference “Development of intellectual and cognitive activity of students”.

13. On June 30, 2022, a meeting was held with Alma Shynbergenovna Bekpan, the director of the «PYX» family house. During the meeting, the head of the UNESCO Chair in Education science and Teacher Training

Khalitova I.I. discussed the possibilities of cooperation in studying the experience of socialization of persons with mental disabilities and conducted a training for the Family house's guests to develop communication skills and establish cause-and-effect relationships.

**1.1 open lecture.** On November 24, 2022, within the framework of the international online educational project "Golden Lecture", the head of the UNESCO Chair in Education science and Teacher Training delivered a lecture on the topic: "Working with the internal motivation of students: modern approaches". The lecture was attended by 175 teachers and students. Project supervisor – Public Council of Moscow State Pedagogical University.

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### **Documents developed at the department**

1. The program for the implementation of the SDG policy of Abai KazNPU dated 23.08.2022.
2. Preparation of a report on the implementation of the SDGs at Abai KazNPU in 2022.

Source: <https://www.kaznpu.kz/ru/2430/page/>

### **2023 year**

On January 24, 2023, on the International Day of Education, the **International Webinar** "Transforming University Education for Sustainable Development" was held, organized by the UNESCO Chair in Education science and Teacher Training (<https://www.kaznpu.kz/kz/26379/press/>).

Научные исследования в интересах устойчивого развития.  
Название доклада forum

Meetings

Projects

4 april

12-14 june

22-23 conference

### **Reports:**

1. On October 17, 2022, a round table “The UNESCO Family of Education and Science in Kazakhstan”, dedicated to the work of the UNESCO Chair in Education science and Teacher Training in the field of culture and sustainable development, was held. Organizers: Kazakh-German University (KGU). Partners: National Commission of the Republic of Kazakhstan for UNESCO and ISESCO. The round table was attended by Abai KazNPU Vice-Rector for Strategy, Digitalization and Internationalization, Doctor of Philosophy, Professor Kulsariyeva A.T. Head of the UNESCO Chair in Education science and Teacher Training Khalitova I.I. made a report on the achievements and work plans of the department in the field of education for sustainable development.

2. On November 8, 2022, Head of the UNESCO Chair in Education science and Teacher Training at Abai KazNPU Khalitova I.I. made a report on the topic: “Education of a culture of good neighborliness and education in the spirit of global citizenship” at the international conference “Neighborhood of cultures in the XXI century of Central Asian countries”.

2. On November 16, 2022, in the framework of cooperation with the Kazan Federal (Volga) University (KFU) as the partner university, the head of the UNESCO Chair in Education science and Teacher Training delivered a report on “Developing reading literacy skills in the framework of education for sustainable development” at scientific and practical conference “Management of the development of functional literacy of schoolchildren”, organized by the Center for Continuous Professional Development of Teachers of the Republic of Tatarstan and the Volga Interregional Center for Advanced Studies and Professional Retraining of Educational Workers.

3. On December 15, 2022, there was delivered an information report on the activities of the UNESCO Chair in Education science and Teacher Training at the Integration Meeting “Platform for Education and Training of Journalists “MediaSDG”, dedicated to the International Human Rights Day.

### **Publications:**

1. 7-8.10.2022, Publication of the article “Requirements of a new paradigm of education” (Khalitova I.I., Amanzholova D.B.) in the collection of the international conference “Transnational Cooperation in the Global Educational Space” VI Central Asian International Forum: collection of materials. – Almaty: IAAR, 2022. – S.113-119.

2. In the 4<sup>th</sup> issue of the journal “Pedagogy and Psychology”, recommended by the Committee for Control in Education and Science, the article “Opportunities for improving the level of reading literacy of students” was approved, which was written jointly with the director of the Center for Continuous Professional Development of Teachers of the Republic of Tatarstan, KFU, Doctor of Economics, Professor R.F. Shaikhelislamov.

3. In the 4<sup>th</sup> issue (dated January 31, 2023) of the republican newspaper “Educated Country”, an article “On the transformation of education” was published (<https://bilimdinews.kz/?p=227498>).

#### **Project activity of the department:**

1. At the department, under the guidance of experts from the UNESCO Cluster Office for Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan in Almaty, together with the teachers of the JSC NCPC «Orleu» for Almaty, a project is being developed on creating a textbook for youth and a methodological manual for teachers on non-material cultural heritage of Kazakhstan. The project is part of the UNESCO educational project “The Silk Road Heritage Corridors in Afghanistan, Central Asia and Iran – the international dimension of the European Year of Cultural Heritage”.

2. In January 2023, the department received an offer from the Kazakh-German University in Almaty to join the “Sustainable Lifestyle in Universities” UNEP project. The university administration approved participation in this project. The project will end in the second half of the academic year (in May).

#### **Participation in UNESCO events:**

The department participates in all UNESCO conferences related to the study of the strategy and programs of UNESCO and documentation. The department attended 12 events: 9 online conferences and 3 offline events:

1. On October 6-7, 2022, together with the Abai KazNPU Vice-Rector for Strategy, Digitalization and Internationalization Kulsariyeva A.T., the head of the UNESCO Chair in Education science and Teacher Training took part in the work of the “Central Asian Symposium on ICT in Education (CASIE) 2022: Developing skills through ICT in rural and remote areas”, organized by the UNESCO Cluster Office for Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan in Almaty and UNESCO partners from the Korean Education and Research Information Service (KERIS). The meeting was attended by 50 participants, including representatives of ministries of education, the development sector and the private sector, international organizations and educational institutions of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Tajikistan, the Republic of Uzbekistan and Turkmenistan.

2. On November 3-4, 2022, with the support of the French National Commission for UNESCO, the UNESCO Headquarters (Paris) hosted the anniversary international conference of UNESCO dedicated to the UNITWIN/UNESCO Chair Program on the topic “Transformation of knowledge for a just and sustainable future.

3. Participation in the webinar of the UNESCO Higher Education Section “Higher Education Talks: Higher Education in Emergencies”.

08.12.22, 14:00 - 15:00 (CET).

## **Outlook for the UNESCO Chair in Education science and Teacher Training**

1. Popularization of methods of transformational education for sustainable development. Planned event: a webinar for young teachers as part of “Young to Young” festival.
2. Creation of media information resources on the SDGs for students.
3. Development and conduct of training (16 hours) for the teaching staff of Abai KazNPU named “Development and measurement of reading literacy of first-year students for quality education”.
4. Handbook on training for teaching staff of Abai KazNPU named “Development and measurement of reading literacy of first-year students for quality education”.

In the future, the UNESCO Chair in Education science and Teacher Training plans a deeper involvement of Abai KazNPU institutes in creating programs and courses aimed at developing transversal skills, which are necessary to achieve SDG 4 and the objectives of education for the SDGs in general.