

National Conference on "What Works in Girls' Education"

Theme: *"Breaking Barriers, Building Futures: Evidence & Action for Girls' Education"*

Dates: 1st – 3rd October 2025

Venue: Hilton Garden Inn (Opposite the British High Commission), Kamwokya, Kampala, Uganda

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Introduction

In the lead-up to this year's International Day of the Girl Child that will take place on 11th October 2025, Uwezo Uganda, in partnership with Kyambogo University's School of Education, the University of Cambridge's Research for Equitable Access and Learning (REAL) Centre, and the Uganda Chapter of the Regional Education Learning Initiative Africa (RELI-Africa) is organising a National Conference on what works in girls' education, on **1st- 3rd October 2025**, Kampala, Uganda. While national in scope, the conference holds regional and global relevance. We invite actors at all levels to submit papers and contribute to this timely dialogue.

Conference Objectives

1. To create a platform for stakeholders to spotlight issues and deepen understanding of existing barriers and enablers to girls' education.
2. To foster dialogue on effective and sustainable solutions to improve girls' education in Uganda and beyond.
3. To generate actionable steps to address gender-based barriers in education in Uganda and the East African region.
4. To amplify the voices of girls and organisations championing girls' education in Uganda and beyond.
5. To document what works in girls' education, which could also improve learning for all children irrespective of gender.

Anticipated Conference outcomes

1. A call to action directed to different duty bearers on what is needed to enhance engagement of girls and boys.
2. An outcome document that consolidates promising practices, research priorities, funding opportunities, and policy priorities to inform coordinated efforts on education of girls and boys.
3. Contribution to global knowledge through publication of a book edition based on some of the outstanding papers that will be presented at the conference.

Conference Sub-themes

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| 1. Innovative Pedagogies, Assessments and Learning Approaches for Girls. | 5. Policy and Financing for Gender Equity in Education. |
| 2. Overcoming Socio-economic and Cultural Barriers. | 6. Empowering Girls through Leadership and Life Skills. |
| 3. Technology and Digital Inclusion for Girls' Education. | 7. Transitioning to Work; Preparing Girls for Future Careers. |
| 4. Health, Well-being, and Education for Girls. | 8. Data and Evidence Generation for Informing Interventions or Scaling Impact. |

Call for Abstracts Submissions

The Organising Committee of this conference is now inviting submissions for paper / workshop / poster abstracts that are relevant to the conference theme and aligned to any of the eight sub-themes. Please submit your abstract by **15th August 2025** to info@uwezouganda.org

Access the **call for Abstracts and submission guidelines** at: <https://uwezouganda.org/call-for-abstracts>