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Formal Panel Session

Building Cohesive Societies Through Education: Systems-Level Approaches to Nurturing 21st-Century Skills for Social Cohesion in Diverse Contexts

Sun, March 29, 9:45 to 11:00am, Hilton San Francisco Union Square, Floor: Ballroom Level, Franciscan C

Session Chair



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Discussant



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Individual Presentations

1. Developing Learning Progressions for Life Skills to Strengthen Social Cohesion in East Africa - **Stella Rose Akongo**, Luigi Giussani Institute for Higher Education; Martin Ariapa, Luigi Giussani Foundation; Khadija A Shariff, Milele Zanzibar Foundation; and Faridah Mubiru Nassereka, Uwezo Uganda
2. Relational Pedagogies and Systemic Change: Education's Role in Healing Divisions and Fostering Social Cohesion - Apoorva Bhatnagar, Joseph Thomas Rijo, Sreehari Ravindranath, and **Amit Kumar Vishwanath** - Dream a Dream
3. Values-Based Education in Kenya: A Whole School Approach to Fostering Social Cohesion and Ethical Citizenship - **Elizabeth Adhiambo Owiti**, Mizizi Elimu Afrika
4. Life Skills and Socio-Emotional Learning in Refugee Camps, Crisis-Affected Contexts and Parallel Systems: Evidence from Two Multi-Country Studies – **Stephen H. Bayley**, Silvia Diazgranados, and Jonathan Kwok - International Rescue Committee
5. From Aspirations to Practice: Building a Coherent 21st Century Skills Framework for social cohesion in Zanzibar - **Khadija A Shariff** and Ramadhani Ally Matimbwa - Milele Zanzibar Foundation

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