RISE Community of Practice Workshop
Advocacy for Foundational Learning

Wednesday 10 November 2021, 2:00-4:00pm GMT ([Register here](#))

As we enter the final year of the RISE programme, the RISE Directorate will be ramping up our communications and advocacy activities. At this event we would like to get advice and feedback from Community of Practice (CoP) members on the scope of these activities. We would also like to explore the potential to partner with CoP members to carry out future advocacy activities.

During the event, we hope to discuss and get feedback from CoP members on the following questions:

- What have been the most effective strategies for driving a foundational learning agenda?
- Who are the audiences (in policy, practice, and the global education architecture) that are critical to making change happen?
- What do we want these audiences to do differently?

Programme

2:00-2:10pm   **Welcome, aims of the workshop**

Kirsty Newman (RISE)

2:10-2:40pm   **Advocacy strategies for advancing foundational learning**

Chair: Kirsty Newman (RISE)

- Obiageli Ezekwesili (World Bank and Former Minister of Education of Nigeria 2006-2007), *Linking the foundational learning agenda to policymaker priorities*
- Devyani Pershad (Pratham), *Building buy-in for foundational literacy and numeracy at population level in India*
- Nic Spaull (Funda Wande; RISE), *The why and how of foundational literacy and numeracy in South Africa*

2:40-2:55pm   **Advocacy strategies: Q&A / Discussion**

2:55-3:30pm   **Breakout groups: Building an archetype of our target audiences**

Participants self-select into groups focused on different actor groups: 1) policymakers, 2) practitioners, 3) global education architecture.

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3:30-3:55pm   **Return to plenary, report out on group archetypes and strategies**

3:55-4:00pm   **Closing reflections and thanks**

Kirsty Newman (RISE)