

Ministries and Agencies in GENE

Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs
MFEA participates in GENE since 2005.

Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sports
MESRS participates in GENE since 2019.

Slovak Agency for International Development Cooperation
SAIDC participates in GENE since 2004.

Other ministries and agencies in GE

The Ministry of the Environment

Environmental Education and Education for Sustainable Development

The Methodical and Pedagogical Centres (under MESRS)

Further education of pedagogical and non-pedagogical staff

The National Institute for Education

Responsible for national curriculum development

The Education Policy Institute (under MESRS)

Providing analyses, prognoses and policies for MESRS

The State School Inspection (under MESRS)

Supervises and observes the quality of education

IUVENTA – Slovak Youth Institute (under MESRS)

Focus on youth work, youth policy and activities as part of the state policy towards children and youth.

State Institute of Vocational Education (under MESRS)

Methodological and technical guidance for vocational high schools

Civil society and youth platforms

Ambrela - the Slovak NGDO Platform brings together several NGOs specialised in Global Education.

The Slovak Youth Council

Global Education documents

National Strategy for Global Education 2012 – 2016 (in Slovak)

Mapping Global Education in Slovakia 2018

Concepts and definitions

The MFEA and SAIDC use the terms **Global Education** and **Development Education**.

SAIDC uses the Maastricht Definition:

Global Education is an education that opens people's eyes and minds to the realities of the world, and awakens them to bring about a world of greater justice, equity and human rights for all.

Global Education is understood to encompass Development Education, Human Rights Education, Education for Sustainability, Education for Peace and Conflict Prevention and Intercultural Education; being the global dimensions of Education for Citizenship.

The National Strategy uses the term **Global Development Education (GDE)**, defined as *an educational approach leading to a deeper understanding of diversity and inequality in the world. It allows us to better understand the roots and causes of such inequalities, as well as the opportunity to search for and identify possible solutions...*

The National NGDO Platform Ambrela defines **Global Education** as follows:

Global Education emphasizes the global context in education and increases global awareness, critical thinking and deeper understanding of the world today. Global Education creates a space for changing individual attitudes and foster the awareness of one's role in the world. Global Education motivates people to act responsibly and in line with the values of the active global citizen.

On the civil society **Global Education portal**, GE is understood as *on one hand, the educational approach which stresses the global context and understanding of global themes and connections. On the other hand, it is also the way how we learn, gain and transfer our knowledge, the way how we critically analyse and reflect today's world and our role in it.*

GENE Peer Review

Global Education in Slovakia (2013)

GE specific budget

SAIDC provides funding for Global Education projects by NGOs through annual calls for proposals. In 2020, the sum allocated was 100 000 Euro. In 2019, the sum allocated was 50 000 Euro.

GE in formal education

GE is included in the teachers' **Guide for the school year 2020/2021**, which is issued annually by MESRS. It includes a chapter on Global Education and Environmental Education which offers the useful links and the website www.globalnevzdelavanie.sk is recommended as the reference.

Cross-cutting themes are the part of the **State Educational Programme** (in Slovak) of **Primary Education** (in Slovak) and **Secondary Education** (in Slovak) and include the themes multicultural education, environmental education and media education.

GE in initial teacher education

GE in initial teacher education is included in the following faculties:

- **Pedagogical Faculty of Matej Bel University in Banská Bystrica**
- **Pedagogical Faculty of Comenius University in Bratislava** – GE within Culture and Multicultural education
- **Philosophical Faculty of Comenius University in Bratislava** (expressed interest recently in cooperation on including GE into initial teacher education)
- **Faculty of Arts, Pavol Jozef Šafárik University in Košice**
- **Faculty of Education, University of Prešov**

Educational resources on GE

Online portal for Global Education in Slovakia

Introduction to GE for youth workers Slovak Youth Council (in Slovak)

GE civil society actors

- [People in Need](#) (Development NGO with the separate Department on Global Education)
- [Živica](#) (GENE Global Education Innovation Award winner in 2017 for the project Socrates Institute)
- [Pontis Foundation](#) (recognized in 2017 as an innovative practice within 2017 GENE GE Innovative Award)
- [PDCS](#)
- [UNICEF Slovakia](#)
- [Integra Foundation](#)
- [Nadácia Milana Simečku](#)

Overall ODA budget

109.73 (Million USD)
(OECD) 2017 Data: OECD (2018), Net ODA (indicator).
doi: 10.1787/33346549-en (Accessed on 19 July 2018).

Agenda 2030

[Agenda 2030 overview](#)

Development Policy documents

[OECD Development Co-operation Peer Review for Slovakia from 2019](#)
[Medium-term Strategy for Development Cooperation of the SR 2019 – 2023](#)

EU Presidency Last / Next

July - December 2016/ January - June 2020

Public Opinion on issues related to GE

Public opinion and ODA:
Slovakia and GENE

