

## **Global Partnership for Education (GPE)**

### **Second Replenishment Conference**

# Pledge from Belgium

Brussels, June 25-26, 2014

“Belgium has been part of the GPE since its constitution, when the partnership name was still FTI. It has been part of the founding members of the catalytic fund, and is therefore greatly interested and attached to this international initiative.

For the first GPE fund replenishment for the 2011 – 2014 period, Belgium had committed to providing 36 million euros (9 million per year). Today, on June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014, Belgium is expecting the establishment of a new government; I am therefore in no capacity to engage the country in a commitment which would not be supported by the future government.

However, I can assure you that we have initiated the necessary steps so that Belgium maintains the same level of contribution as for the first replenishment campaign. This means that, provided it receives the next Government and budget authority approval, Belgium is planning on contributing 36 million euros to the 2015 – 2018 Replenishment Campaign, that is 9 million euros per year.”