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Mr. Charles Fadel
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Dear Charles,

I am happy to accept your invitation to participate on behalf of The World Bank in the Center for Curriculum Redesign (CCR).

CCR's mission, to answer the question of what students should learn in the 21st century, is an important one for World Bank client countries. The World Bank's current Education Sector Strategy (<http://www.worldbank.org/educationstrategy2020>) prioritizes "Learning for All," including the acquisition of skills that will result in jobs, growth, and economic prosperity for individuals and societies. The relevance of appropriate curricular and assessment policies and practices for the achievement of these goals cannot be overstated.

I am pleased to assist with this initiative and, in particular, to provide a perspective on the needs of middle- and low-income countries in these areas.

Sincerely,



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