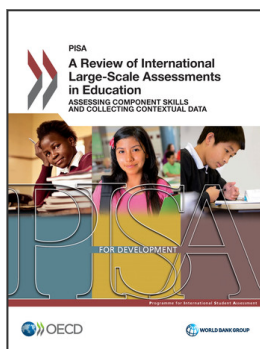


## Abbreviations

ALL	Adult Literacy and Life Skills Survey
ACER	Australian Council for Educational Research
ASER	Annual Status of Education Report
CONFEMEN	Conference of the Ministers of Education of French-speaking countries
DAC	Development Assistance Committee
EGMA	Early Grade Mathematics Assessment
EGRA	Early Grade Reading Assessment
ESCS	Economic, social and cultural status
ETS	Educational Testing Service
GDP	Gross domestic product
HISEI	Highest International Social and Economic Index
IALS	Adult Literacy Survey
ICCS	International Civic and Citizenship Study
IEA	International Association for the Evaluation of Educational Achievement
IIEP	International Institute for Educational Planning
IRT	Item response theory
ISCED	International Standard Classification of Education
ISCO	International Standard Classification of Occupations
ISEI	International Socio-Economic Index
LAMP	Literacy Assessment and Monitoring Programme
LLECE	Latin American Laboratory for Assessment of the Quality of Education
NPM	National project manager
NRC	National research co-ordinator
ODA	Official development assistance
OREALC	Regional Bureau of Education for Latin America and the Caribbean
PASEC	CONFEMEN Programme for the Analysis of Education Systems

PERCE	First Regional Comparative and Explanatory Study
PGB	PISA Governing Board
PIAAC	Programme for the International Assessment of Adult Competencies
PIRLS	Progress in International Reading Literacy Study
PISA	Programme for International Student Assessment
PISA-D	PISA for Development
PPS	Probability proportional to size
PRELAC	Regional Education Project for Latin America and the Caribbean
PSU	Primary sampling unit
RTI	Research Triangle Institute
SACMEQ	The Southern and Eastern Africa Consortium for Monitoring Educational Quality
SERCE	Second Regional Comparative and Explanatory Study
SES	Socio-economic status
SSME	Snapshot of School Management Effectiveness
STEP	Skills Toward Employment and Productivity
TERCE	Third Regional Comparative and Explanatory Study
TIMSS	Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study
UIS	UNESCO Institute for Statistics
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
WEI-SPS	World Education Indicators' Survey of Primary Schools



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