

REACT } **Global Business Coalition For Education**

REACT: Building partnerships for
education in emergencies

About GBC-Education

Established in 2012, Global Business Coalition for Education (GBC-Education) is a member-driven organization for business that desire to be a force for good in ensuring quality education for youth across the globe.

GBC-Education serves as the **social impact advisor** for **150+ companies** in its network, combining the expertise of education and business to develop customized programs and identify investments, partnerships, and opportunities to support **Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 4**.

GBC-Education: Core Functions



Connect

We create spaces for leaders to connect and identify cutting-edge opportunities for collaboration and 'next generation' action.



Cooperate

We facilitate cooperation between business, governments, agencies, youth, foundations, and civil society organizations to advocate for quality education for all.



Showcase

We highlight our members' work and thought leadership to create, accelerate, and propagate solutions and inspire action.



Discover

We facilitate research projects and harness evidence and data to identify opportunities for effective investments in education.

Our mission:

GBC-Education harnesses meaningful collaborations that leverage the collective power of business, government, international organizations, NGOs, youth, and other stakeholders to support **free, equitable, quality education for all.**

What is REACT ?



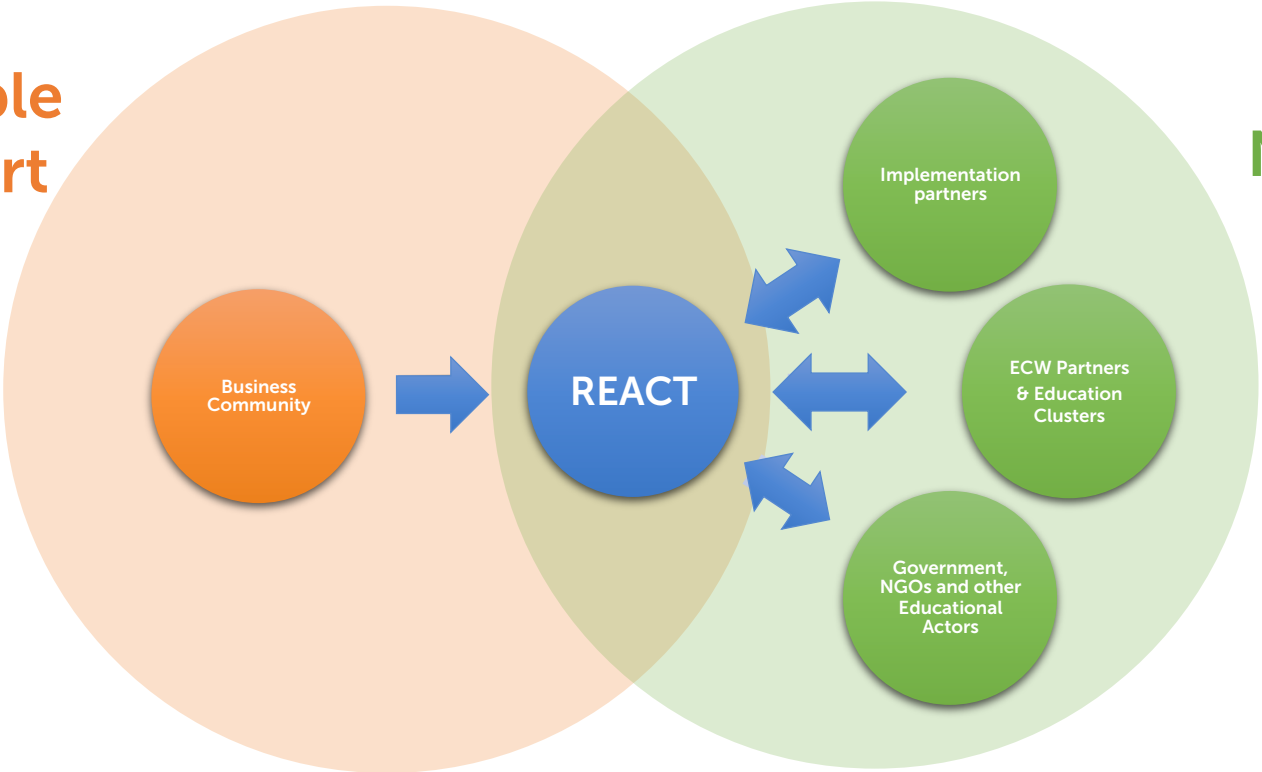
What is REACT?

REACT is a hub for tailored channeling of corporate contributions to education in emergencies. REACT aims to advance the collective global response to education in emergencies by:

- **Mapping** offers of tangible support from the business community
- **Tracking** educational challenges in need of solutions in real-time
- **Matching** business resources and assets with partners on the ground to create, accelerate, and disseminate new solutions at scale

REACT ecosystem

Available
Support



Needs

How does REACT work?

Business Community

- Financial Support
- In-kind Support
 - Goods & services
 - Technical expertise
 - Employee volunteers

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Matching Criteria

- Region
- Response type
- Timeframe
- Preferred partners
- Target population

Implementation Partners

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- Educational supplies and materials
- Infrastructure
- Logistics and Delivery
- Technology
 - Hardware
 - Teaching/learning platforms
 - Connectivity
- Technical capacity
 - Data management
 - Procurement



REACT in action: HP & ECW

PARTNERS: HP, Education Cannot Wait (ECW), Learning Equality, UNHCR

LOCATION: Uganda

INITIATED: September, 2018

IMPLEMENTED: Spring, 2019

FOCUS

- ECW partnered with HP to deploy the HP School Cloud to provide schools and children with access to educational content in areas without internet connectivity. Up to 75 computers or tablets can access educational material updated by ministries of education or the schools.
- The partnership leverages Learning Equality's Kolibri offline learning platform to enable better learning outcomes.

ANTICIPATED RESULTS

- Pilot deployment to select schools serving refugee and host communities.
- Will be extended to several schools throughout the country over the following year to benefit thousands of children.

REACT in action: Avanti & SINA

PARTNERS: Avanti Communications, Social Innovation Academy (SINA)

LOCATION: Uganda

INITIATED: September, 2018

IMPLEMENTED: January, 2018

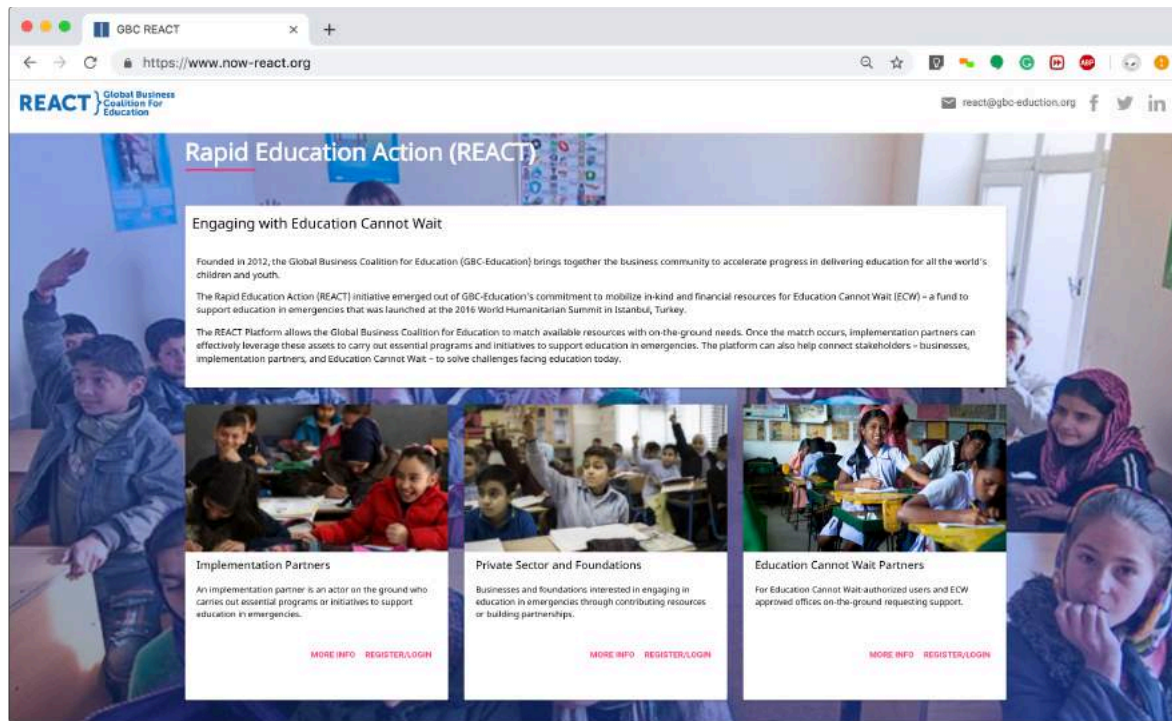
FOCUS

- Avanti Communications agreed to provide stable, high-speed internet connectivity to Social Innovation Academy (SINA) at no cost.
- SINA delivers online self-learning curriculum to help former orphans, street children, refugees, and other disadvantaged youth in Uganda become job creators and social entrepreneurs.

ANTICIPATED RESULTS

- The service allows SINA to deliver its online self-learning curriculum to 50-70 scholars who resides in or visits the SINA campus everyday.
- SINA is currently partnering with Humentum to expand its online curriculum to refugees in Bidi Bidi camp.

REACT Digital Platform



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Panelists



Yasmine Sherif
Director,
Education Cannot Wait

Yasmine Sherif is the Director of ECW - a global fund for education in emergencies and protracted crisis. A lawyer specialized in International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights Law (LL.M), she has 30 years of experience with the United Nations (UNHCR, UNDP, OCHA) and international NGOs, starting her international career in 1988.

She is the author of the book, *The Case for Humanity: An Extraordinary Session*, which was launched at the United Nations in New York in 2015, and a Champion for 'No Lost Generation.' In 2017. She received the annual award "Sweden's UN Friend of the Year."



Graham Peters
Managing Director,
Avanti Government

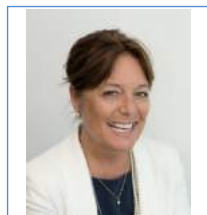
Graham is the Managing Director for Avanti Government. He has 25 years experience in the ICT industry operating at the intersection between business, technology and applications. Much of his career has involved satellite communications and satellite positioning technologies and their applications. Graham has spent an extended period working in the field of ICT based training and education, initially in the defence and aviation sectors but more recently applied to education of marginalised students in schools in Sub Saharan Africa.



Hayley Gryc
Associate,
ARUP ID

Hayley is a chartered civil engineer and leads the social infrastructure portfolio in Arup's International Development group. She has over 15 years' experience designing and evaluating schools infrastructure, and providing strategic and technical advice to partners on improving construction environments to increase resilience and reduce vulnerability of communities. She is currently leading several schools projects, including providing technical support to the World Bank's Global Programme for Safer Schools (GPSS); and in Nepal as part of the reconstruction programme.

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Q & A



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