



## Conference under theme: “Motor Education in Preschool”

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Mr. Youssef Belqasimi

Mr. Youssef Belqasimi, SG of the Ministry national education, Vice-president of ISF, president of FASS, accompanied by Mr. Alexander Schischilik, acting director of the UNESCO in the Maghreb, have chaired on Thursday, February 25, 2021 in Rabat at the conference under the theme "Motor Education in Preschool".



Mr. Alexander Schischilik

The organization of this conference is part of the implementation of the national program for the generalization and development of preschool, that His Majesty King Mohammed VI may God glorify him on July 18, 2018, and in the implementation also implementing framework law No. 51.17 relating to the education, training and scientific research system.

In his opening speech, Mr. Youssef Belqasimi presented the crucial importance of motor education as a basic component in preschool, allows learners to develop and integrate, motor education will be used as an average. expression and learning, in addition to self-awareness and total or partial control of relationships with others or with the environment, through the practice of motor activities in which play is one of basics.

Finally, Mr. Youssef added that the health problems raised as a result of the remarkable change in eating and behavioral habits associated with the reluctance to practice physical activities among our children at present and the growing phenomenon of obesity are become a cause of annual mortality of 5% of the world's children with the possibility of an increase in the percentage in the future. Our children in Morocco are not immune to this danger which threatens our youth.

Mr Alexander Schischilik, Acting Director of the Office of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in the Maghreb reminded the participants of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which form the heart of the 2030 agenda and which cover all the challenges of sustainable development, including quality education.

This project for the integration of motor education in preschool launched by the national ministry of education today is part of this perspective which is characterized by the recognition of the interest of physical activity in preschool a Themes that requires the mobilization of all actors and stakeholders.

Kingdom of Morocco adds Mr. Alexander is not only a pilot country in this area but a model that is likely to be shared globally.

It should be noted that a reference guide for motor education, complementary to the manuals prepared by the ministry in the field of preschool has been developed, and that it has also been tested with certain educational establishments of the AREF. from Rabat. Sale-kenitra, in particular in the two regional directorates of Skhirat, Temara and Sale, by organizing awareness-raising and supervision workshops in the field for the benefit of educators and actors of primary education in these establishments, in which certain games guides have been tried, in addition to organizing distance training from which educators have benefited.

The program includes scientific presentations on motor and inclusive education by experts as well as the organization of discussion workshops.

Some executives from the ministry, representatives of UNESCO and the National Commission for Education, Science and Culture, as well as experts and researchers in the field of motor education in preschool took part in this event, managers and educators of school education establishments involved in the experiment and officials of associations active in primary education.





**Strengthening play-based learning in early childhood education programs is a responsibility of all of us.**