



Overview of CONFINTEA VII and MFA (Marrakech Framework for Action)

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Why are CONFINTEAs important?

- Long tradition on adult education (since 1949). Milestone event.
- A common agenda in an otherwise divided world, shared vision
- Unifying force, shared values, shared commitment
- Response to poly-crises
- Allows for contextualisation and localisation
- Foster connections, exchange, networking, mutual learning
- Gives reference points and enables benchmarking
- Serves as a check-list... a reminder... an advocacy tool...

CONFINTEA VII



What are the key tenants of MFA?

- Lifelong learning framework
- Human rights approach
- 'Double character' of adult education
- Green and digital dimension
- Transformative character
- Equity, inclusion, participation
- Partnerships and collaboration

One of the key findings of UNESCO's Fifth Global Report on ALE (GRALE 5), launched at the conference, was that adult education still does not reach those who need it most.



For whom is the agenda?

- Both developed and developing countries!
- Countries and/or organisations dealing with adult education and literacy related to:
 - **Economic development. Jobs. Career. Poverty. Technology.**
 - **Social issues. Social justice. Access. Equity and equality.**
 - **Environmental challenges. Pollution. Sustainability**
- For individuals, organisations and institutions, communities, societies, economy

Vision without action is merely a dream. Action without vision just passes the time.
Vision with action can change the world.



**What can we do
with MFA?**

**What are your
priorities?**