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Global Compact on Education Commitment 5 To welcome the vulnerable and marginalized

A contribution from The Netherlands





Facts and figures

There are around 3.000 Catholic schools in The Netherlands that are fully state funded (primary and secondary education).

Around 750.000 students actually visit these schools (\pm 30% of all students).



The vulnerable – immigrant students

- In The Netherlands immigrant students are educated together in specialised schools where the main focus is on learning the Dutch language.
- After a year their proficiency in Dutch is sufficient to merge with students in a regular school





Focus on wellbeing and socialisation

With a view to their wellbeing and socialisation, we use the following programmes:

- Team Up
- Program by Save the Children





'I would like to ask you all to see a ray of hope as well in the eyes and hearts of refugees and of those who have been forcibly displaced.

A hope that is expressed in expectations for the future.... in the desire to participate in the host society through learning the language, acces to employment and the education of children.... '(Pope Francis)



May there be a difference in the welcome?





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