

ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

ADEA	Association for the Development of Education in Africa
AECDM	Association of Early Childhood Development Malawi (previously APPM)
APPM	Association of Preschool Play Groups Malawi (now AECDM)
AS&I	African Scholars and Institutions Initiative
CIDA	Canadian International Development Agency
CRC	Convention on the Rights of the Child
DSW	District Social Welfare
ECCD	Early Childhood Care and Development
ECCE	Early Childhood Care and Education
ECD	Early Childhood Development
ECDNA	Early Childhood Development Network in Africa
ECDVU	Early Childhood Development Virtual University
ECE	Early Childhood Education
EFA	Education for All
ELDS	Early Learning and Development Standards–Malawi
FNPP	First Nations Partnership Programs
FTI	Fast Track Initiative
GoM	Government of Malawi

COMPLEXITIES, CAPACITIES, COMMUNITIES

HIV / AIDS	Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome
INGO	International Non-Governmental Organization (not defined within doc)
MCDGC	Ministry of Community Development, Gender, and Children–Tanzania
MDG	Millennium Development Goals
MGCCD	Ministry of Gender, Children and Community Development–Malawi
MGCSW	Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Welfare–Malawi (previously MGCCD)
MGDS I	Malawi Growth and Development Strategy I (2006-2011)
MGDS II	Malawi Growth and Development Strategy II (2011-2016)
MIE	Malawi Institute of Education
MINEDAF	Ministers of Education of Africa Member States
MINEDAF VIII	the 8th Conference of Ministers of Education of African Member States
MLTC	Meadow Lake Tribal Council
MoEST	Ministry of Education, Science and Technology–Malawi
MoEVT	Ministry of Education and Vocational Training–Tanzania
MoHP	Ministry of Health and Population–Malawi
NACECE	National Centre for Early Childhood Education

NESP	National Education Sector Plan–Malawi
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
NSGRP	National Strategy for Growth and Reduction of Poverty
OPC	Office of the President and Cabinet–Malawi
SSA	Sub-Saharan Africa
TECDEN	Tanzanian Early Childhood Development Network
TTC	Teacher Training College
UN	United Nations
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNESCO-BREDA	UNESCO Regional Bureau for Education in Africa
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
UNICEF-ESARO	UNICEF Eastern and Southern Africa Regional Office
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
UVic	University of Victoria
WGECD	Working Group on Early Childhood Development

