

Questionnaire: Public and Faith-Based Private Schools

1. In your country, is religion taught in public schools?
2. In your country, what is the existing system of teaching religion in public schools?
3. Can the religion of the following RMs be taught in public schools?
 - 3.1. Are they taught within or outside the school timetable?
 - 3.2. Are they taught for how many hours per week?
 - 3.3. Who has the right to choose the textbooks: the state/school or RM authorities?
 - 3.4. Who has the right to define the syllabus content?
4. Are RE teachers paid by the state/school or RM authorities?
 - 4.1. Are RE teachers of the following RMs paid by the state/school?
5. Do students have the right to opt out from the teaching of/about religion?
 - 5.1. If students opt out from the teaching of/about religion, are they obliged to attend another course?
 - 5.2. Do students who are members of the following RMs have the right to opt out from the teaching of religion?
6. Can teachers wear religious symbols when giving classes?
 - 6.1. Can teachers who are members of the following RMs wear the symbols of their religion?
7. Can students wear religious symbols at school?
 - 7.1. Can students who are members of the following RMs wear the symbols of their religion at school?
8. Do public schools officially display religious symbols?
 - 8.1. Can symbols of the following RMs be officially displayed in schools?
9. Can teachers refrain from giving classes on occasion of the festivities of their religion?
 - 9.1. Can teachers who are members of the following RMs refrain from giving classes on occasion of the festivities of their religion?
10. Can students refrain from attending classes on occasion of the festivities of their religion?
 - 10.1. Can students who are members of the following RMs refrain from attending classes on occasion of the festivities of their religion?
11. Do students have the right to obtain food that is not forbidden by their religion's dietary rules?
 - 11.1. Do students who are members of the following RMs have the right to obtain food that is not forbidden by their religion's dietary rules?
12. Can RMs open faith-based private schools?
 - 12.1. If the answer to question 12 is yes, can the following RMs open faith-based private schools?
13. Can faith-based private schools of RMs give their students diplomas that are recognized by the State?
14. Are teachers chosen by
 - A) the state,
 - B) the RM/school without any state intervention (provided that the rules on the academic qualifications of teachers are met),
 - C) through a procedure that involves both the state and the RM/school?
15. Can teachers be dismissed if they do not conform their behavior to the principles of the faith-based private school?
16. Are faith-based private schools free to reject the admission of students (for example on the ground of the different religion they profess)?

17. Are faith-based private schools free to choose the syllabus and the textbooks?

18. Do the state or public institutions financially support faith-based private schools of the following RMs?