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## TO THE COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS

### EI General Secretary

Dear Colleagues,

I am writing to let you know that today is my last day as General Secretary of Education International. I want to thank you wholeheartedly for your collaboration and friendship over the years. It has been an honour and a privilege to serve EI's member organisations for so long.

On 25 January the EI Executive Board appointed Deputy General Secretary David Edwards as General Secretary of our International for the period until EI's 8<sup>th</sup> World Congress, set to take place in Bangkok in July 2019.

The Executive Board has every trust in David Edwards's ability to confront the many challenges present and yet to come – and to lead the organization to a new era of growth and consolidation. Suffice it to say that I am happy to hand over my duties to David.

May you all remain united for many years to come – for quality education, for a strong teaching profession, for democracy, human rights and social justice !

With very best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Fred van Leeuwen  
General Secretary