HSRC Launches TIMSS South Africa Website

The Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC) in South Africa has participated in TIMSS since 1995. In April 2015, the HSRC launched a website to consolidate TIMSS SA data and to provide information about TIMSS-related activities. The website will provide an opportunity for researchers to showcase analysis of TIMSS data. Through the website, we hope to encourage debate and deepen our understanding of how to improve schooling in South Africa. The link to the website is http://www.timss-sa.org.za/.

Key features of the website include:

- A series of evidence-based policy briefs that are based on extensive analysis of the TIMSS data. The briefs include clear and concise findings and discuss implications for policy. Our first policy brief is entitled: Have we reached gender equity in mathematics education?
- Links to publications that have used TIMSS data. Our latest publication based on TIMSS data is titled “Beyond Benchmarks: What do twenty years of TIMSS data tell us about South African education?” A link to this publication is available on the website.
- Links to TIMSS international.
- A Newsroom that includes links to press releases, and news items based on TIMSS South Africa data.
- We will be launching a blog space soon that will address current issues and events in education both locally and internationally.

The HSRC’s TIMSS-related activities and our latest publication will be presented at the 6th IEA International Research Conference, which is taking place on 24–26 June 2015 in Cape Town, South Africa.

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