The 9th High Level Group meeting on Education for All (EFA) was held from 23-25 Feb, 2010 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia organized by Ethiopia in collaboration with African union and UNESCO.

Participants of the meeting were Ministers of Education from over forty countries, Deputy Ministers of higher education representatives, governmental and non-governmental international organizations including civil societies.

The meeting was launched on 23rd Feb, 2010 in African Economic Commission hall situated in the UN conference center in the presence of His Excellency Prime Minster Meles Zenawi of Ethiopia where he delivered his welcome speech followed by welcome speech by HE Demeke Mekonnen, Minister of Education of Ethiopia, HE Ms Irina Bokova Director General of UNESCO and Ms Erastus Mwencha, Deputy African Union Commission among other distinguished speakers.

The theme of the 9th High Level Group meeting was two: Impact of Economic Crisis on Financing Education and Marginalization of inclusive Education.

Considerable progress has been made in Ethiopia - abolishing school fees, introduction of mother tongue education as result of which participation alarmingly increased from 19% in 1991 to more than 90% in 2009 at primary level, teacher training, building classes, establishment of 13 new universities in less than 10 years time, etc. Such progress was appreciated by participants.

Ethiopian Teachers Association, represented by its two delegates to the meeting has gained knowledge as to the status of education of our glob.