What is Development Education?
“IT’S ABOUT UNDERSTANDING HOW CHANGE HAPPENS AND BEING A PART OF IT. IT’S ABOUT LOCAL AND GLOBAL.”

WHAT IS DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION?

It is an educational process aimed at increasing awareness and understanding of the rapidly changing, interdependent and unequal world in which we live. It seeks to engage people in analysis, reflection and action for local and global citizenship and participation.

It is about supporting people in understanding, and in acting to transform the social, cultural, political and economic structures which affect their lives and others at personal, community, national and international levels.

The Irish Development Education Association (IDEA) is a national platform for organisations and individuals engaged in the provision, promotion and advancement of development education throughout the island of Ireland.

IDEA’s vision is of a world based on global justice, solidarity, equality and sustainability. We see development education as an essential process that empowers people to create this world.

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