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Speaker biographical note



[Batjargal Batkhuyag](#) is the Executive Director of the [Mongolian Education Alliance](#) (MEA), located in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. The MEA is a not-for-profit NGO founded in 2004 as a successor to the Mongolian Foundation for Open Society ([Soros Foundation](#)). The organization works with international agencies, governments, schools, and other NGOs to improve equal access to education in Mongolia and to instill ideals of transparency and accountability within the sector. For instance, the organization publishes a monthly newspaper called the *Open School*, which provides a platform where teachers, educators, researchers, and local policymakers can discuss and promote reforms with other stakeholders and to the public. Recently, MEA advocated a campaign to boost parental involvement in education that is discussed at length in the episode. Batjargal joined MEA in 2005 and has held various roles and positions, such as fundraising and directing early childhood education programming. He holds a BA in Foreign Language Education from the University of the Humanities, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, and an MA in International Educational Development from Teachers College, Columbia University.