

Exhibit 2.1: PIRLS 2016 Context Questionnaire Development Schedule

Date(s)		Group and Activity
February	2013	NRCs reviewed PIRLS 2011 context questionnaires and provided ideas for new questionnaire topics at the 1 st NRC meeting (Hamburg, Germany)
June	2013	1 st meeting of the Questionnaire Development Group (QDG) to develop the PIRLS 2016 questionnaires (Singapore). Meeting was held jointly with the TIMSS Questionnaire Item Review Committee (QIRC)
July–August	2013	TIMSS & PIRLS International Study Center revised the draft context questionnaires to incorporate QDG/QIRC feedback and drafted the PIRLS 2016 Context Questionnaire Framework chapter
September	2013	NRCs reviewed draft PIRLS 2016 context questionnaires and the draft PIRLS 2016 Context Questionnaire Framework chapter at the 2 nd NRC meeting (Portorož, Slovenia)
October	2013	TIMSS & PIRLS International Study Center finalized the PIRLS 2016 Context Questionnaire Framework chapter incorporating NRC feedback
October–April	2013–2014	TIMSS & PIRLS International Study Center updated the draft PIRLS 2016 context questionnaires incorporating NRC feedback
November	2013	TIMSS & PIRLS International Study Center published <i>PIRLS 2016 Assessment Frameworks, 1st Edition</i> , which includes the chapter on the Context Questionnaire Framework
May	2014	NRCs reviewed and approved the proposed field test context questionnaires for PIRLS at the 3 rd NRC meeting (Dublin, Ireland)
June–July	2014	TIMSS & PIRLS International Study Center finalized field test context questionnaire instruments
July	2014	TIMSS & PIRLS International Study Center provided field test context questionnaires to NRCs
February	2015	<i>PIRLS 2015 Assessment Framework, 2nd Edition</i> published online
March–April	2015	Countries conducted PIRLS 2016 field test
April–May	2015	Countries submitted field test data for analysis and review
June	2015	TIMSS & PIRLS International Study Center conducted a review of field test results
July	2015	QDG reviewed questionnaire field test data and the draft PIRLS 2016 Curriculum Questionnaire at 2 nd QDG meeting (Hamburg, Germany)
August	2015	NRCs reviewed and approved context questionnaires for PIRLS and ePIRLS 2016 data collection as well as the PIRLS 2016 Curriculum Questionnaire at 5 th NRC meeting (Jyväskylä, Finland)
August	2015	TIMSS & PIRLS International Study Center distributed PIRLS 2016 and ePIRLS 2016 context questionnaire instruments for data collection to NRCs for translation
October–December	2015	Southern Hemisphere countries conducted PIRLS 2016 data collection
March–June	2016	Northern Hemisphere countries conducted PIRLS 2016 data collection
March–August	2016	PIRLS 2016 Curriculum Questionnaire administered online to NRCs