4. Pressure from within: the Forum for African Women Educationalists

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Abstract
The provision and quality of girls' education in sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) have attracted increasing attention over the past decade. The World Conference on Education For All (EFA), held in Jomtien in 1990, set the year 2000 as the target for reaching its goal. The Forum for African Women Educationalists (FAWE), created as a response to this challenge, has been at the forefront of promoting girls' education on the continent. This chapter illustrates how FAWE has proceeded to fulfil its mandate, the challenges that it has faced, and the crucial role played by partnerships in the implementation of its programmes.