

TIMSS 2027 Draft Schedule Highlights

Please note: Dates listed below are tentative and subject to change

2025	
Feb	1 st NRC meeting – Review schedule, review/update assessment frameworks and provide an overview of designs and procedures (Hamburg, Germany)
Mar/Apr	2 nd NRC meeting – Sampling update, overview of survey operations, and item writing workshop (location TBD)
Apr–Jul	Field test achievement and questionnaire item development
May	Sampling activities begin
Jul	Finalize field test instruments (online reviews)
Aug/Sep	3 rd NRC meeting – Overview of final field test instruments; review of sampling, translation, and survey operations procedures (location TBD)
Oct–Feb 2026	Field test instrument translation, verification, localization
Oct/Nov	Data management seminar for the field test (Hamburg, Germany)
2026	
Feb–Mar	National field test players provided
Mar–Apr	Conduct field test
Feb/Mar	4 th NRC meeting – Conduct scoring training for the field test (online)
Apr	Field test scoring system made available to countries
Apr–May	NRCs submit all field test data to IEA Hamburg
Jul	Planned release of trend materials for review or translations/adaptations
Aug	5 th NRC meeting – Review and finalize instruments for the data collection and presentation of survey operations (location TBD)
Oct	Release of data collection instruments for translations and/or adaptations
Oct–Apr 2027	Assessment instrument translation, verification, localization
Oct	Data management seminar for the main data collection
2027	
Feb–June	National data collection players provided
Mar–Jun	Data collection (Northern Hemisphere)
Mar	6 th NRC meeting – Overview of data management procedures, conduct scoring training for the data collection (location TBD)
Apr	Data collection scoring system made available to countries
Jun–Aug	Northern Hemisphere countries submit data to IEA Hamburg
Oct–Dec	Data collection (Southern Hemisphere)

2028	
Dec–Jan 2028	Southern Hemisphere countries submit data to IEA Hamburg
Mar	7 th NRC meeting – Review draft report outline and exhibits for the international report and discussions of TIMSS 2027 Insights reports (location TBD)
Mar–Jun	Data analysis and scaling
Jul	8 th NRC meeting – Review draft TIMSS 2027 International Report and discuss plans for national and international report (online)
Jul	National database training (online)
Dec	Release of the TIMSS 2027 International Report
2029	
Jan	TIMSS 2027 International Database and User Guide available
Feb	9 th NRC meeting – Conduct training on analyzing the TIMSS 2027 International Database and launch the TIMSS 2031 cycle (location TBD)