

## Tunisian-British programme to develop English language teaching in educational institutions



The Tunisian-British programme to develop English language teaching in educational institutions was the focal point of the meeting, held on Wednesday March 23, 2011, in Tunis, between Education Minister Taieb Baccouche and a delegation from the British Council led by Mr. Jim Butler, Director of the British Council for the Middle East and North African Region.

The meeting centred on ways to speed up implementation of this programme whose achievement is to stretch over ten years and manage the programme in a way that guarantees the hoped-for results by allowing pupils to have command of oral and written English and open broad prospects for them in Tunisia and abroad.

The programme to develop English language teaching revolves around three major axes: the first provides for promotion of books and programmes, the second is related to training and pedagogical methods, while the third focuses on assessment.

Members of the British delegation said that the programme will help, thanks to the fruitful cultural co-operation between the United Kingdom and Tunisia, to achieve significant results likely to enhance the position of the English language and its presence in different education cycles in Tunisia.