

## **Educators: The Autistic Lens to Enable Autistic Students to Achieve their Potential**

As an educational advisor and an autistic I have the opportunity to use an autistic lens to view classrooms and systems in terms of how they are able to meet the needs and indeed challenge autistic students to achieve their potential. As an educator, I understand the regulatory and societal expectations of education, teachers and schools. However, good teaching does not always meet the needs of autistics because of our very different way of being, experiencing and responding to the world.