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CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT
CALL FOR ABSTRACTS EXTENDED UNTIL 1 JUNE 2017



**THE ONLINE, OPEN AND FLEXIBLE
HIGHER EDUCATION CONFERENCE
OOFHEC2017**

**HIGHER EDUCATION FOR THE FUTURE;
'accelerating and strengthening innovation'**

Open University Milton Keynes (UK)
25 – 27 October 2017



Important dates

Deadline for submission of abstract | workshop
Call for abstracts extended until 1 June 2017!

Notification of acceptance
15 June 2017

All accepted abstracts can opt for full paper publication under the OOFHEC2017 proceedings. Submissions will be part of a review and selected papers will be invited to develop a full paper for publication in a JIME (Journal for Interactive Media in Education) special issue.

Deadline for submission of full conference paper of abstract
1 October 2017

Online full paper publication - proceedings
1 December 2017

Submissions - abstract | workshop

Contributions should be in line with the scope and themes.

Find [here more information and the template](#) to submit your contribution.



OOFHEC2017 Social Networking Event: London Highlights on Friday 27.10.2017

Stay in the centre of London and visit the London Eye, have dinner at Jamie Oliver's or attend the West End Show 'Wicked' (optional).

Combine your return on Saturday 28.10.2017 with the Social Networking Event bringing you to London!

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Keynotes

Already confirmed keynotes:



Peter Horrocks
Vice-Chancellor of the
Open University United
Kingdom (OUUK)



Catherine Mongenet
CEO of France Université
Numérique



Kathleen Schlusmans
Coordinator quality
assurance of Open
University of the
Netherlands (OUNL)



Sir John Daniel
Former Vice-
Chancellor, UK
Open University



Eileen Scanlon
Central Academic Staff Assoc
Director (Research &
Innovation)
Learning and Teaching
Innovation Institute of
Educational Technology
Professoriat



George Androulakis
Vice-President for Academic
and International Affairs,
Hellenic Open University

Please [check our key-notes](#) regularly for updates.

Preliminary programme OOFHEC2017

The [preliminary programme](#) is available now.

Strands and complete details on the plenary sessions and parallel sessions will be online by 15 June 2017 the latest.

Scope

Over the past years, universities have intensified a deeper transformation of teaching and learning in higher education, based on e-learning and online education. New modes of teaching and learning create new opportunities for enhancing the quality of the learning experience for on campus students, for reaching out to new target groups off campus and for offering freely accessible open education through the internet (OERs, MOOCs). They support the quality, visibility and reputation of the institution.

Themes

1. Strategies for the future of continuous professional development
2. Open education and widening participation
3. Research and innovation for new modes of teaching and learning
4. HE for a diverse future
5. Engaging students for learning at all stages of life
6. Policies for change in Higher Education
7. Quality assurance and accreditation of online and blended higher education

[Full overview of topics](#)

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