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Newsletter

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EADTU NEWS

The 2024 Envisioning report is out!

The report is set up by the expert pools of the Empower programme (empower.eadtu.eu), established by EADTU to cover the latest trends and developments in new modes of teaching. This year's edition contains 12 contributions on various topics including *immersive learning, sustainability, open pedagogy, student engagement, learning analytics and much more.*

Register now for I-HE2024 (Limassol, Cyprus)

Registration for the Innovating Higher Education Conference (23 - 25 October 2024), EADTU's annual conference, is open. This year's event will take place in Limassol, Cyprus and is titled 'Leading the Future of Learning'. Our host is the Open University of Cyprus.

The conference explores innovations in hybrid, blended, and online education to pave the way for inclusive and personalized learning experiences.

The programme - combining keynotes, paper presentations, a dedicated research track, panel sessions and workshops - will be released later this week.

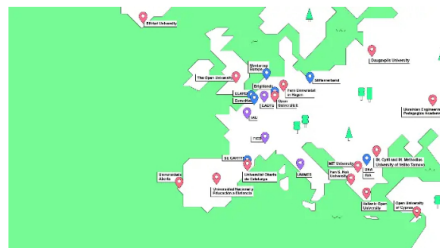You can register via our conference website.

OpenEU Launched, the first step towards a European University

European Commission green-lights creation of OpenEU, the European open university, coordinated by the Universitat Oberta de Catalunya. The OpenEU alliance brings together ten European universities to work towards a solid and sustainable open European university.

Their mission is to establish an open European University that is student-centred, inclusive, digital and green. OpenEU is one of the 14 new European university alliances to come out of the latest European Universities call for proposals launched by the European Commission.

As an associated partner, EADTU will contribute to the alliance's growth.
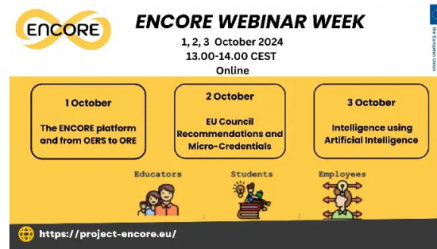
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Join Us for ENCORE Webinar Week!

Are you an educator eager to embrace your new role as an education and experience designer? Join us for a week of insightful webinars hosted by ENCORE (ENriching Circular use of OeR for Education).

Webinar Week Overview: ENCORE aims to address the macro-trends impacting education - digitalization, climate change, and post-COVID economic recovery. We support educators by enhancing their teaching and recognition skills through innovative strategies.

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TUNED Final conference and contest event

We are thrilled to invite you to our final conference and contest event, celebrating the project's outcomes. The hybrid event, taking place in Limassol and online on the 22nd of October, will showcase the official TUNED MOOC and the innovative serious ARG game.

TUNED aims to provide a cutting-edge short training course for academic staff, enhancing their teaching skills through collaborative learning and socially shared regulation frameworks.

This is a unique opportunity for researchers in education, psychology, computing, and those interested in technology-enhanced and self-regulated learning to meet, share expertise, and discuss the latest challenges and advancements in the field.

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MEMBER NEWS

Mentor's Insights from the Hub's Mentorship Programme

EADTU and its members are actively involved in the European Digital Education Hub, online collaborative community for digital education enthusiasts. In the Hub's mentorship programme, you can receive expert guidance on addressing your personal challenges in digital education.

Dr Eric Addae-Kyeremeh, Head of School, Education, Childhood, Youth and Sport at the Open University (UK), reflects on his recent mentoring activies:

"Participating as a mentor at the European Digital Education Hub was a rewarding experience. The mentorship with the German Ethiopian Textile School team focused on developing inclusive, contextually relevant e-learning materials. We explored innovative pedagogical approaches and how to create engaging, low-bandwidth digital content. The mentees feedback demonstrates significant growth, applying new skills and preparing for future workshops. Our collaborative efforts aim to enhance digital education in Ethiopia, making it more accessible and effective".

Interested in joining the mentorship programme? Fill in this application form.

Honorary doctorate for Mark Brown

The Open Universiteit awards an honorary doctorate to prof. dr. Mark Brown, Chair in Digital Learning and Director of the National Institute for Digital Learning (NIDL) at Dublin City University (DCU). He receives the honorary doctorate because his research is always linked to digitalisation, globally connected with local relevance, with a strong emphasis on innovation, lifelong development and transforming lives and societies for a better future.

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The new version of Passeport EAD is available!

The Passeport EAD is an essential resource for students entering university or returning to study. The Passeport EAD is a training programme intended for future undergraduate or students resuming higher education who wish to pursue university studies online. It must be done during the summer before starting university. The volume per hour is approximately 65 hours minimum. It is made up of existing courses taught by different French universities. Some universities also use the Passeport EAD all year round for students when needs are detected.

Read more on the FIED website.

Join free self-paced MOOCs on IoT and AI

The All Digital Academy (ADA) consortium, with the participation of Hellenic Open University (DAISSy research group), offers free of charge and in a self-paced mode two MOOCs on Internet of Things (IoT) and Artificial Intelligence (AI). ADA supports adult educators and trainers by offering up-skilling training activities on emerging cutting-edge technologies and digital skills. Join the MOOCs, which have already been attended by more than 1000 participants, access their learning materials, complete the assessment tests, give your feedback and gain a certificate of successful completion!

Read more on:

- https://alldigitalacademy.eu/
- https://platform.alldigitalacademy.eu/

Promoting Green Entrepreneurship and Leadership

The International Conference (IC) and the final Transnational Project Meeting (TPM) of the ASEAN Network for Green Entrepreneurship and Leadership – ANGEL EU project, with the participation of the Hellenic Open University (DAISSy research group), took place on 10-14.6.2024 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The IC on green entrepreneurship and leadership, brought together more than 200 participants who promoted sustainable practices, and included an innovation competition of inspiring business ideas. The final TPM indicated the successful achievement of goals and the launch of the project's MOOC "DEVELOPING AN ENTREPRENEURIAL MINDSET".

Read more on:

- https://angel-project.eu/
- https://www.eap.gr/en/2024/06/26/participation-of-daissy-hou-in-the-international-conference-and-the-final-transnational-project-meeting-for-the-completion-of-the-angel-project/

UNINETTUNO AND SOS - School of Sustainability ready for the start Master Degree in sustainable architecture. Global blended program for the architects of the future

Italy, USA, Canada, Philippines, Armenia, India, Lebanon and Brazil are the countries of origins of young architects enrolled to the first intake of the new Blended Master program

(online and in presence in Milan) created by the global Guru of sustainable architecture Mario Cucinella and UNINETTUNO University. Starting from September 2024 students can engage in online courses on sustainability practices and participate in hands-on project work at MCA - Mario Cucinella Architects headquarter in Milan.

The program requires a Bachelor's Degree in Architecture or Engineering. Thanks for his specificity and the involvement of top industrial partners, the Master will offer a highly employable rate, with 88% securing jobs within two months. The new program is part of the Uninettuno Green initiative, a strategic line of didactic and research focused on ecological transition, climate change, and sustainability: an initiative inspired by the Sustainable Development Goals of the United Nations' 2030 Agenda and the new European Green Deal.

Erasmus+ Staff Week at Universidade Aberta

Universidade Aberta of Portugal organized a new edition of the Erasmus Staff Week from the 24th to the 28th June. This year, more than three dozen representatives from 24 universities from nine European countries were welcome: Bulgaria, France, Greece, Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Spain and Turkey. This week offered participants an opportunity not only to get to know further Universidade Aberta, its specific virtual pedagogical model and organizational structure, but also to establish new contacts useful for future partnerships, research projects and new Erasmus mobility flows.

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Microcredentials: the UOC's bold move to boost employability

The UOC is launching 64 microcredentials in its 30th academic year to enhance employability. These short, specialized courses, worth up to six credits, validate professional skills in fields such as health, communication, law, and computer science. The certificates can be shared via CVs and social media, helping students upskill or reskill for current and future job markets. UOC's microcredentials represent a "model for lifelong learning" that considers recognition, traceability, and complementary factors across various levels, fostering mobility and hybridization. This initiative aligns with UOC's mission to provide support for individual and collective needs in a globally aware society.

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How to successfully integrate learning analytics and AI in education?

The UOC and Ramon Llull University are leading a two-year research project to study the use of learning analytics and AI in education. The project aims to create general guidelines to maximize these technologies' benefits and personalize education. Researchers will examine their implementation in Catalan secondary schools, assessing data management and generative AI practices. The goal is to provide ethical, practical guidelines for teachers and policymakers. The project seeks to improve pedagogical practices, address educational inequalities, inclusion and academic failure and support personalized learning. The findings are expected to be adaptable to other educational stages or geographical area.

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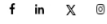ENCORE Webinar Week
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