



Being at the Leading Edge – How to give Quest for Excellence a New Meaning
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eLearning: Open or Closed?



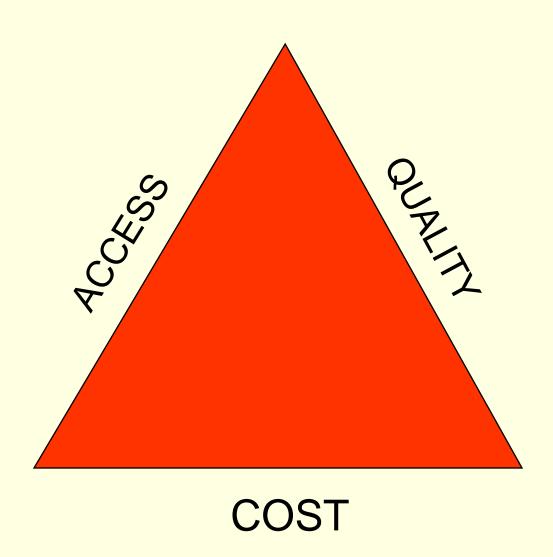
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The Iron Triangle



The Technology Revolution

ACCESS (wider)

QUALITY (higher)

COST (lower)

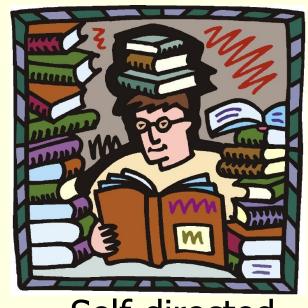
ALL AT THE SAME TIME!

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1. Explain to governments that ODL is a key part of the answer to expanding higher education at low cost.

2. Explain to governments that ODL fosters self-directed learning



Self-directed



Spoon fed

3. Explain to governments that ODL is an effective mechanism for innovation in ICTs in higher education

4. Clean out the bad apples



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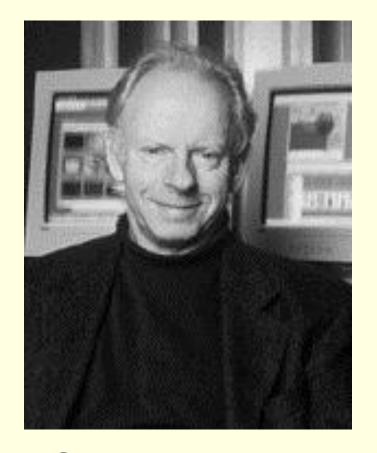




University Hospital, Dubai

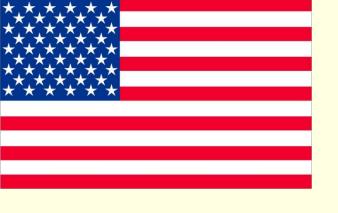


Christchurch College, Oxford University



Professor Tony Bates
"2011 Outlook for Online Learning and
Distance Education"

(www.contactnorth.ca)



United States

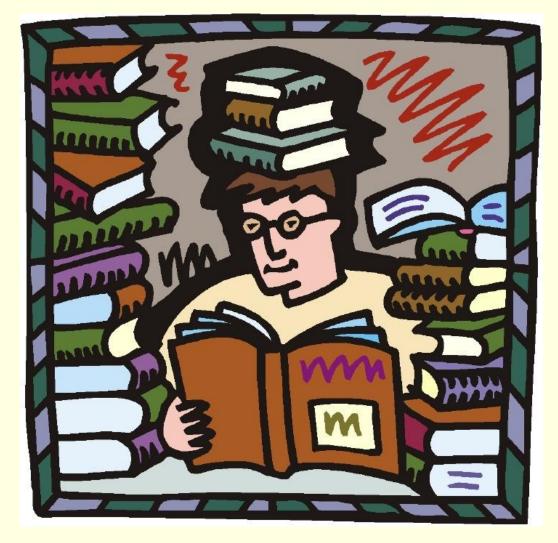
2014

80% of students online 2009

44% of students online

"being part of a self-service culture that gives individuals greater freedom and convenience"

"combine study and employment rather than separating them in time"



TIME
My most precious commodity

Technology is the ANSWER!

(What was the

QUESTION?)

Digital Technology

Generation Gap





"no evidence of a clear break between two separate populations"



<u>Sample</u>

7,000 students aged between 21 and 100

Ages	Number of Students
20-29	1,000
30-39	1,000
40-49	1,000
50-59	1,000
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Ages	Number of Students	Response rate
20-29	1,000	31% (46% online)
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70 and over	1,000	81% (60+% online)



Students who more readily use technology for their studies are more likely than others to be deeply engaged with their work

"Those students who had more positive attitudes to technology were more likely to adopt a deep approach to studying, more likely to adopt a strategic approach to studying and less likely to adopt a surface approach to studying."

The Challenge to Teachers

1. Individually competent at using technology for teaching

2. Comfortable operating within technology-based learning systems

Lessons from ICT in Schools

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2. Learning materials

3. Hardware and software

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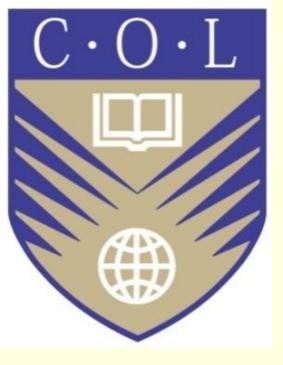
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ICT in Education

UNESCO ICT Competency Framework for Teachers



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COL Commonwealth Certificate for Teacher ICT Integration



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"it is not enough for teachers to have ICT competencies and be able to teach them to their students. Teachers need to be able to help the students become collaborative, problem solving, creative learners through using ICT so that they will be effective citizens and members of the workforce. The Framework therefore addresses all aspects of a teacher's work"





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"Doing things backwards creates a crisis and puts pressure on the system to train teachers"

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"teachers acquire the skills necessary to help students use ICT wisely in their lives and studies."

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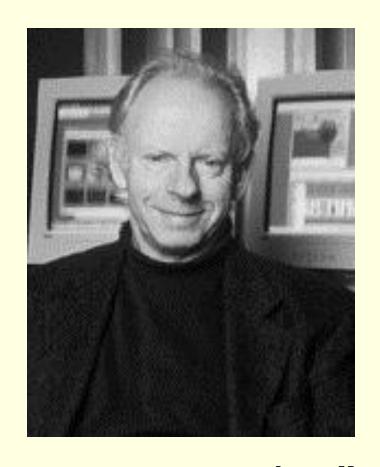


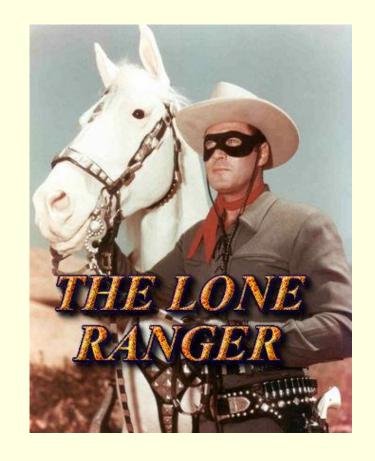


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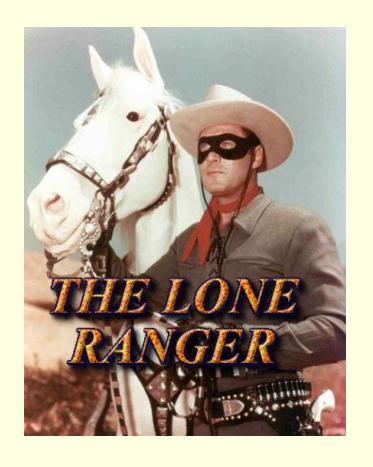
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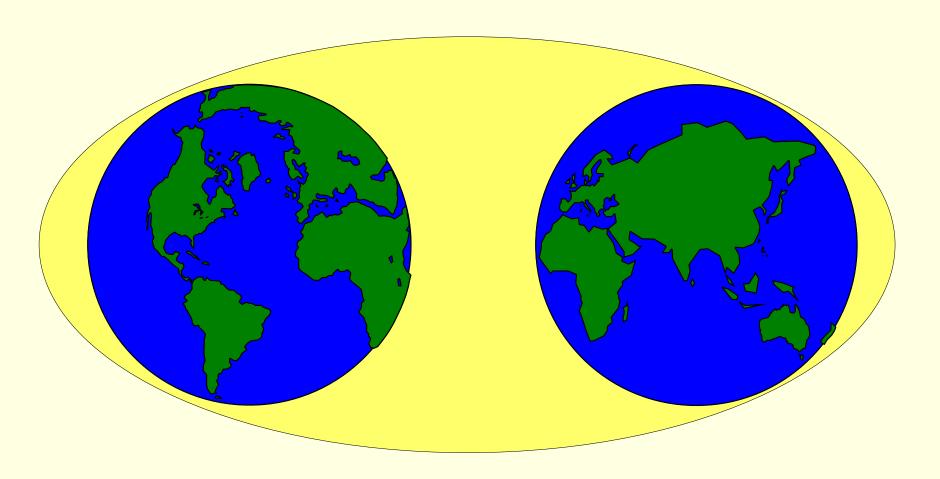
The "Lone-Ranger" approach to eLearning

(Professor Tony Bates)



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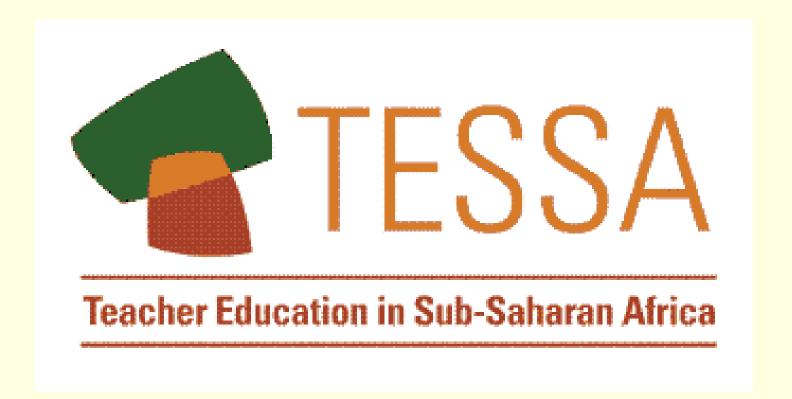
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Sharing OER Worldwide

OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES (OER)

educational materials that may be freely accessed, reused, modified and shared.



- 13 African universities developing OER for teacher education
 - Used by 320,000 teachers in 2010
 - Available in Arabic, English, French and Kiswahili

Collaborative Development of Learning Materials

COL & Hewlett Foundation













20 sets of self-instructional materials in the secondary curriculum (each is a complete syllabus for one grade 10 or 12 subject)



'The Year of Open'

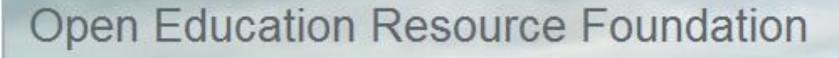
Paul Stacey – BCcampus

The Open Educational Resource University

New Zealand 23 February 2011



Wayne Mackintosh



OER is a sustainable and renewable resource



Taking OERS beyond the OER Community: Policy & Capacity for Developing Countries





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Workshops

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Namibia

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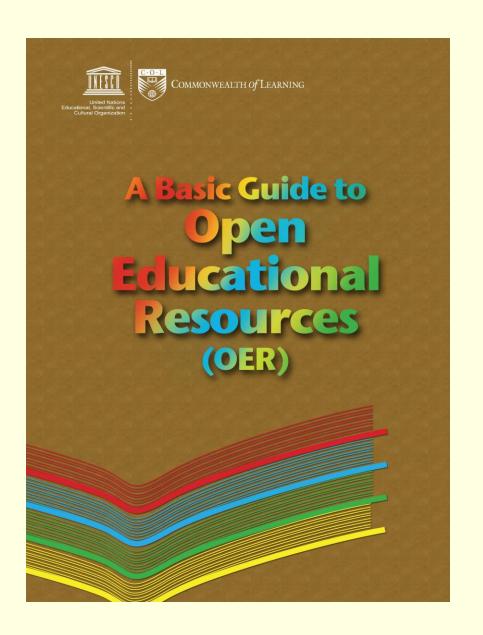
Mali

India

Tanzania

Mozambique

Plus three online forums





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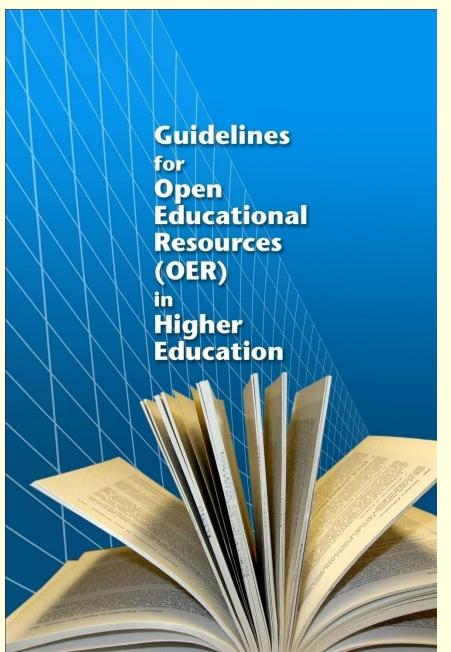
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Fostering Governmental Support for Open Educational Resources Internationally

THE WILLIAM AND FLORA
HEWLETT
FOUNDATION

Survey of Governments







"an inventory of current practices and policies with respect to open access to educational material"

Regional Policy Forums

- Caribbean January
- Africa February
- Latin America March
- Europe April
- Asia & Pacific April
- Arab States May

World Congress on **Open Educational Resources**

Paris – June 20-22 – 2012



Drafting a Declaration for the Congress

THE AIM

"to get greater buy-in from governments to the promotion of OER and of open licences generally."

"that educational materials produced with public funds be made available under open licences"



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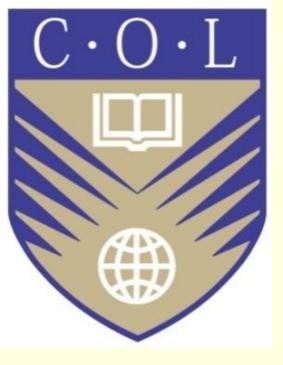
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Search on the Web for suitable OER and adapt them

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ICT in Education in Guyana



Cyril Potter College of Education

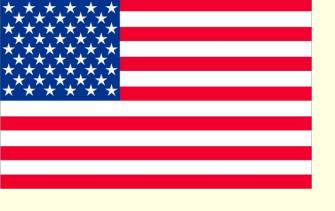
Appropriate training materials produced:

- Very quickly
- One-tenth the cost of starting from scatch
- With great enthusiasm

The Challenge to Institutions

"In traditional universities the teacher teaches whereas in e-universities the institution teaches"

Adapted from Desmond Keegan

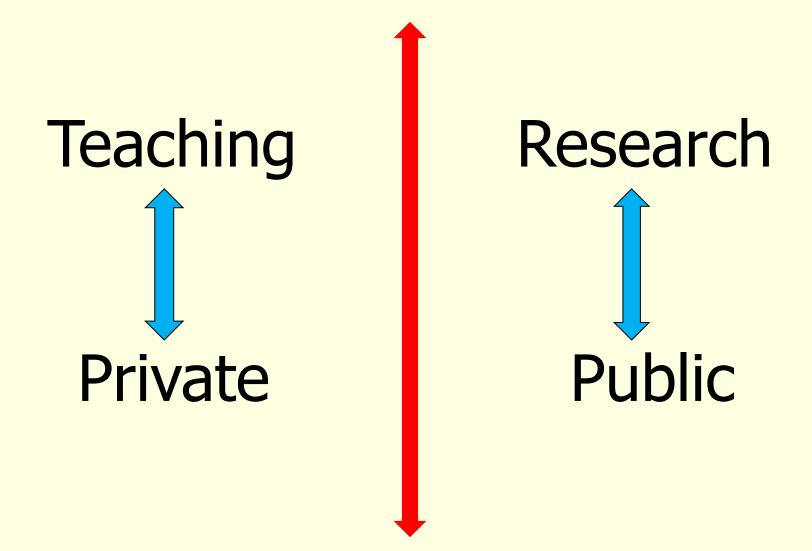


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the for-profit sector has a much higher proportion of the total online market (32%) compared to its share of the overall higher education market (7%).

Will higher education split over the coming years into a public sector focussed on research and a for-profit sector doing most of the teaching?

Higher Education: a Great Divide?



"A disruptive technology, which online learning may prove to be, rarely favours existing providers"



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