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# ICT in Education Networks International Symposium



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# Day 1

08.00 Registration

09.00 Opening plenary session 1

**1. Opening speech**

- **Mariastella Gelmini**, Minister of Education, University and Research, Italy

**2. Keynote speaker**

- **Sugata Mitra**, University of Newcastle, UK

**3. Video messages** - "Why policy makers should be concerned with technology in education especially at a time of global financial downturn"

- **David Puttnam**, UK
- **Jim Shelton**, USA

**4. Welcome speech**

- **Giovanni Biondi**, Chair of European Schoolnet, Ministry of Education, University and Research, Italy

**5. Preliminary remarks**

- **Marc Durando**, Executive Director of European Schoolnet

10.15 Coffee break

10.45 Plenary session 2

Moderator: **Stephen Jury**, Vice Chairman, Promethean

**1. ICT in education: from centres of excellence to mainstreaming**

What are the obstacles for scaling up?  
How can international networks contribute?  
What role does the mismatch of infrastructure and teacher education objectives have to play?

- **Stephen Jury**, Vice Chairman, Promethean
- **Professor Alessandro Colombi**, Free University of Bolzano, Italy
- **Reem N. Bsaiso**, Director, World Links Arab Region

**2. Roundtable: Transforming education systems - leveraging international networks**

- **Greg Black**, CEO, Education.au
- **Keith Kruger**, Director, CoSN, USA
- **Gavin Dykes**, International strategy consultant, BECTA & Associate Director, Futurelab, UK

**3. Discussion with the audience**

12.30 Lunch buffet

14.15 Breakout sessions

**1. Creating Compelling Learning Environments**

Chair: **Patricia Wastiau**, European Schoolnet

*Session A: Innovative technology in education: new platforms, new expectations*

- Survey of administrators and web 2.0 **Keith Kruger**, CoSN
- Implications from a national survey of educator use of ICT **Greg Black**, Education.au
- Are we ready for the power of ICT in education? **Greg Butler**, Microsoft

**2. Enabling Communities of Learners vs. Traditional Professional Development**

Chair: **Alexa Joyce**, European Schoolnet

*Session A: Online school collaboration across borders*

- Access, inspiration, celebration: Supporting schools to work internationally **Liz Hitchcock**, British Council
- World Links as an enhancer of online content **Reem N. Bsaiso**, World Links Arab Region
- Century Skills through online Collaboration **Lynne Gill**, Oracle Education Foundation

**3. Helping Educational Leaders Use New Tools (Evidence-based decision-making)**

Chair: **Jim Ayre**, European Schoolnet

*Session A: Online educational resources: a sustainable approach to enhancing access to knowledge*

- Video message **Cory Doctorow**, Boing Boing
- Promethean Planet. Lessons learned from creating a global, collaborative education community **Mark Robinson**, Promethean
- Southeast Asian Education Network **Timbul Pardede & Khalid Mustafa**, South East Asia Minister of Education Organisation Regional Open Learning Centre

15.45 Coffee break

# Day 2

## 16.15 Breakout sessions

### 1. Creating Compelling Learning Environments

Chair: **Patricia Wastiau**, European Schoolnet

#### Session B: What should be the future of learning environments?

- Connected learning - Interactive classrooms and beyond  
**Christian Lortz**, SMART
- The Design of Future Learning Environments - Empowerment, Enactment and Engagement  
**Dr. Cher Ping Lim**, Director, Asia-Pacific Centre of Excellence for Teacher Education & Innovations and Professor at Edith Cowan University, Australia
- Building a Knowledge Society for All: Extending Access to Knowledge beyond Classroom Walls **Mary Hooker**, Gesci

### 2. Enabling Communities of Learners vs. Traditional Professional Development

Chair: **Alexa Joyce**, European Schoolnet

#### Session B: Supporting professional development of teachers: developing skills for the future

- Asia Pacific networking between teacher education institutions **Dr. Miao Feng-Chun**, UNESCO Asia Pacific Bureau for Education, Thailand
- Interactive technologies to teachers' needs  
**Laurent Odic**, elnstruction
- Evolving a Statewide Knowledge Network for the Development of Teachers  
**Professor Guilherme Ary Plonski**, Director of the Technology Management Applied to Education Area, Carlos Alberto Vanzolini Foundation

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#### Session B: Priority strategies for the future: transforming the curriculum

- Skool in Turkey  
**Nizami Akturk**, Ministry of Education, Turkey
- Digital Textbook Project and its impact on students' learning  
**Jeonghee Seo**, KERIS
- One Million Computers for African Schools  
**Nafissatou Mbodj**, Executive Director, Schoolnet Africa

## 17.30 End of day 1

## 18.30 Private sessions for rapporteurs and speakers Unconferences - additional workshops

## 20.00 Gala dinner

## 09.00 Plenary session 3

### Priority international cooperation strategies

Moderator: **Roger Blamire**, European Schoolnet

- **Dr. Miao Feng-Chun**, UNESCO Bangkok
- **Laurent Odic**, elnstruction
- **Rhyan Bloor**, Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations, Australia
- **Giovanni Biondi**, European Schoolnet

## 11.00 Coffee break

## 11.30 Plenary session 4

### A vision for the future – roundtable

Moderator: **Greg Black**, Education.au

- **Nancy Knowlton**, SMART
- **Mark Cobb**, Cisco
- **Andrea Gavosto**, Agnelli Foundation

## 12.30 Lunch buffet

## 14.15 Plenary session 5

### Interactive session with the audience: Addressing key challenges for the future: from vision to practice

Moderator: **Keith Kruger**, CoSN

- **Nafissatou Mbodj**, Executive Director, Schoolnet Africa
- **Dr. Cher Ping Lim**, Director, Asia-Pacific Centre of Excellence for Teacher Education & Innovations and Professor at Edith Cowan University, Australia
- **Professor Guilherme Ary Plonski**, Carlos Alberto Vanzolini Foundation
- **Bridget Cosgrave**, Director General at Digital Europe

## 15.30 Coffee break

## 16.00 Plenary session 6: closing

- General report and conclusions  
**Patricia Wastiau**, European Schoolnet
- Closing of the symposium **Giovanni Biondi**, Chair of EUN & **Marc Durando**, Executive Director EUN

## 17.00 End of symposium (evening free)

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