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An Asian Perspective on Policy and Practices

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The last three decades have seen a phenomenal increase in the provision of higher education in almost all parts of greater Asia. Universities, Polytechnics, Colleges and Training Institutes in a variety of forms, structures, academic programmes and funding provisions have been on an almost linear upward progression. Participating and financially supporting this growth, besides governments, has been private–for-profit and not-for-profit organizations, public–private partnerships, international and intergovernmental agencies. In addition many individuals, with the arrival of and access to the Internet, World Wide Web and whole range of fast and intelligent ICTs., were prepared to share their life experiences and knowledge, with others, through YouTube, Flickr, Wiki educator and other similar tools. Consumers of education have themselves become producers of education.

The three day symposium will consider the organics of the relationship between the use of OERs and the ambitions of nation states to enhance access and improve equity for All especially in higher levels of learning. The symposium will consider and focus on issues in relation to Access, Equity and the use of Open Educational Resources in Higher Education. Key presentations will be made by leading educators of the region along with others of international repute. Presentations will also be solicited by policy makers, institutional administrators, scholars, international advocates and practitioners.

The Aim of the Symposium

To understand and at the same time share knowledge of the role played by these technologies in the context of increasing access, enhancing equity and promoting lifelong learning in higher education.

Speakers (Abstracts**)**

Opening Session: Dr. GWANG-JO KIM, Director UNESCO Bangkok

REGIONAL TRENDS, ACHIEVEMENTS, ISSUES ON ACCESS TO KNOWLEDGE AND CONTENTS : Asia Pacific Perspectives on OER

Session one: Prof. David Wiley, Bingham Young University, USA

The OER COUP: A research framework for Open Educational Resources

Session Two: Prof. Asha Kanwar, President, Commonwealth of Learning, Canada

TEN YEARS OF OER: enlarging the circle?

Session Three: Prof. Mangala Sunder Krishnan, Indian Institute of Technology, India

Technology-Enabled and Technology-Enhanced Open Educational Resources

Session Four: Prof. Som Naidu, Charles Sturt University, Australia

Engines for Education: Integrating Open Educational Resources in Learning and Teaching

Session Five: Prof. Wayne Mackintosh, CEO, OER Foundation and The OER University, New Zealand

The OER university: A sustainable model for more affordable education futures

Closing Session: Dr. Grace J. Alfonso, Chancellor, University of the Philippines Open University

Open Educational Resources (OER) in Asia in a Digitized World