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A Quality Platform for Post-Traditional Higher Education

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Outline

The context: challenges facing higher education

Post-traditional higher education, a global trend

What about quality?



Higher Education in Turbulent Times

High and unmet demand for Higher Education



Diversification of providers

'World-class' universities

Competency-based

Private

Online

Cross-border



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Britain's shaky economy

Time to scrap affirmative action

Bjorn Kjos, the Viking Stelios

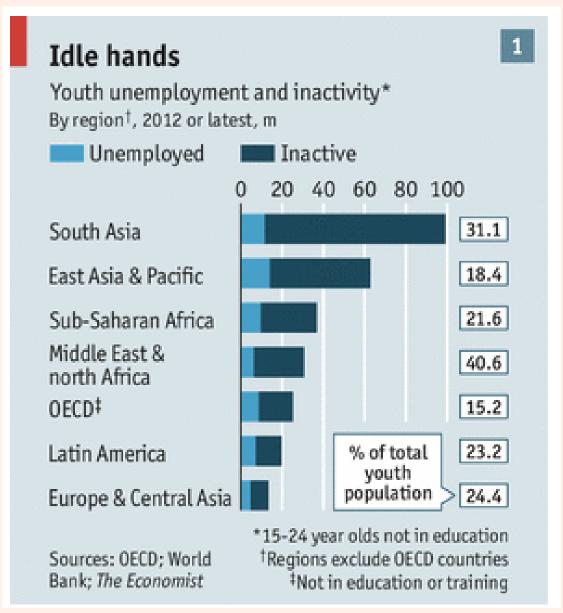
Iran's fake messiahs

Criminal bumblebees

Generation jobless

The global rise of youth unemployment

The jobless crisis in figures



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The Economist, April 2013

POST-TRADITIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION



Post-traditional HE

Overall theme: greater openness

Post-traditional HE Trends:

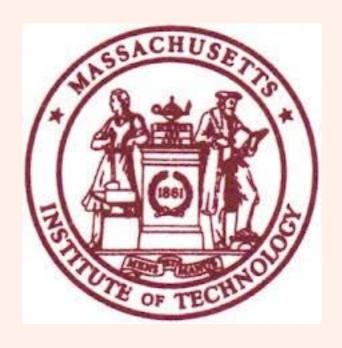
- Online learning
- Shorter courses
- New awards
- Partnerships

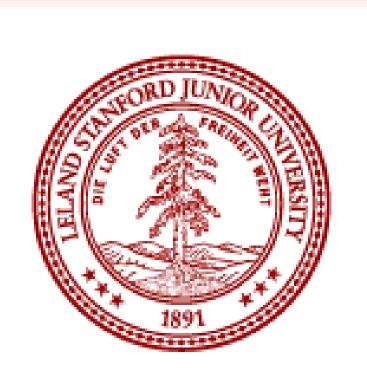
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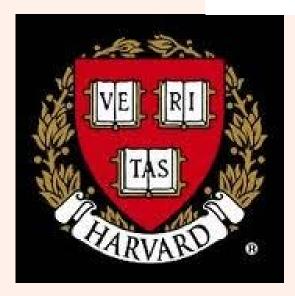
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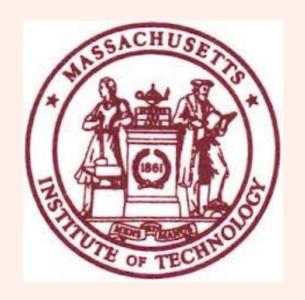
What is a MOOC?

Massive Open Online Course













If Harvard is going online it must be OK!













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E-LEARNING COURSES FROM THE IITS & IISC

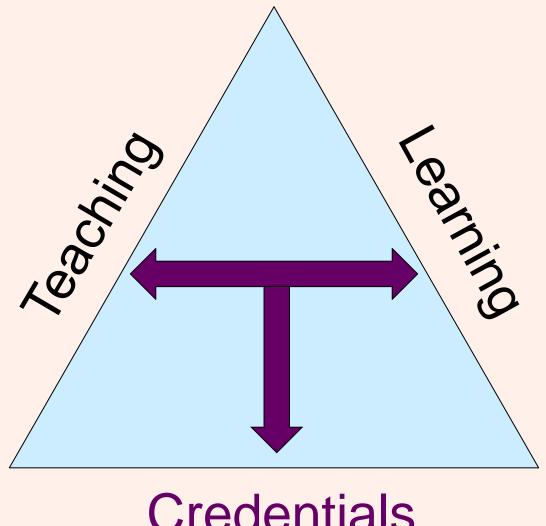


MOOCs ventures outside North America

- French Minister announces F.U.N.
- French universities embrace online learning to offer MOOCs
- Cooperation with Agence universitaire de la Francophonie to offer courses in French speaking Africa



Genevieve Fiorasco,
Minister of Higher
Education and Research
of France



Credentials

What is higher education?

MOCS

A shake-out in 2014?

Post-traditional HE Trends:

Shorter courses

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Competency-

Europe 2020 Strategy - Erasmus for All "competencies and skills for the labour market"

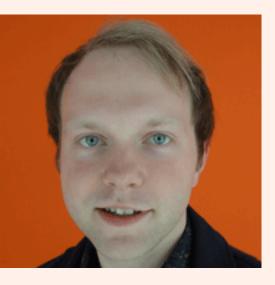


UK QAA Quality

Assessment of Prior



The Death of the Degree



Allan Pall, ESU



Higher Learning to be more focused on validating the learning process and its outcomes

What we really need is liberation from the degree

Employers need the right mix of skills and competences matched with job requirements

Post-traditional HE Trends:

New Awards

what are OPEN BADGES?

Learning today happens everywhere. But it's often difficult to get recognition for skills and achievements that happen online or out of school. Mozilla Open Badges helps solve that problem, making it easy for any organization to issue, manage and display digital badges across the web.



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OpenBadges

Post-traditional HE Trends:

Partnerships with the private sector

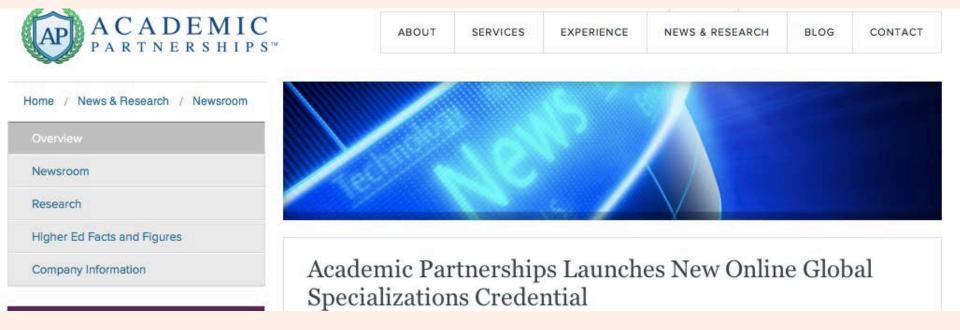


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Academic Partnerships: New Online Global Specializations Credential



Towards a Global Convention on Degree Recognition?

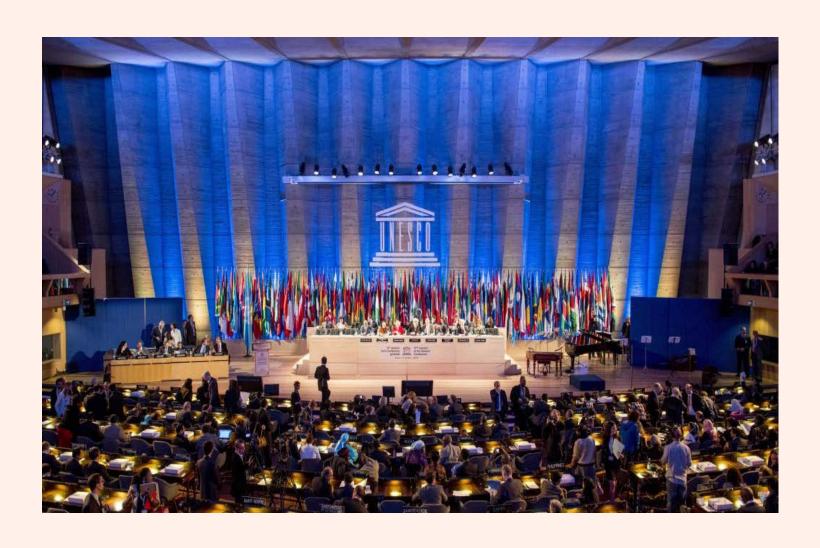


Diversity of HE systems

Diversity of Providers

Diversity of Qualifications

UNESCO General Conference 2013

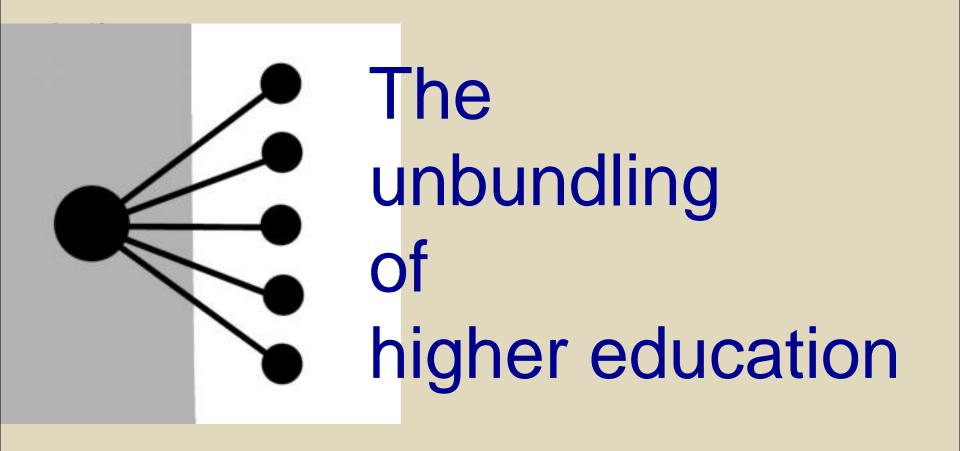


Benefits of Global Convention

Improving academic and professional mobility

 Assistance to Member States to improve quality of their HE systems in the context of contemporary transformations

 UNESCO Director-General to initiate the process, carry further consultations and report back to GC in 2015





New trends in higher education

What about quality?

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Council for Higher Education Accreditation







A QUALITY PLATFORM:

EXTERNAL QUALITY REVIEW ON NON-INSTITUTIONAL PROVIDERS



NON-INSTITUTIONAL PROVIDERS

OFFER BADGES

MOOCs

ASSESS PRIOR LEARNING

OFFER COMPETENCY-BASED EDUCATION

OFFER COURSEWORK



PURPOSE

EVALUATE PERFORMANCE OF NON-INSTITUTIONAL PROVIDERS FOR STUDENTS AND SOCIETY

AUDIENCES

STUDENTS, COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, ACCREDITING AND QA BODIES, EMPLOYERS, POLICYMAKERS, THE PUBLIC

PROCESS



ORGANIZATION PROVIDES APPLICATION

TEAM OF EXPERTS REVIEWS BASED ON STANDARDS: ELECTRONIC, FACE-TO-FACE

TEAM OFFERS RECOMMENDATION

ORGANIZATION, IF SUCCESSFUL, IS "QUALITY PLATFORM PROVIDER"



STANDARDS

EXPECTED AND ACTUAL LEARNING OUTCOMES DRIVE THE WORK OF THE PROVIDERS

OFFERINGS ARE COLLEGIATE LEVEL

IF INTENDED FOR CREDIT, OFFERINGS
PROVIDE FOR STUDENT PROGRESSION AND
CURRICULAR COHERENCE

TRANSPARENCY AND COMPARABILITY



OTHER PROVISIONS

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO BE SUPPLIED: DOCUMENTATION OF LEGAL STATUS, FINANCIALS, ORGANIZATIONAL PURPOSE AND CREDENTIALS OFFERED, ENROLLMENT, ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS

THREE-YEAR REVIEW CYCLE

TEAM OF EXPERTS COMPOSED OF ACADEMICS AND THE PUBLIC

DATABASE OF PROVIDER PERFORMANCE DEVELOPED



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