16th ASEF Classroom Network Conference
“Leading Change: Digital Transformation of Education in the Era of AI

12-16 November 2023
Ljubljana, Slovenia

Tentative Programme
DAY 1 – SUNDAY, 12 NOVEMBER 2023
ARRIVAL, REGISTRATION & WELCOME

07:00 – 17:00 Arrival of Participants throughout the day

14:30 – 16:30 Check-in & Registration at the Hotel Lobby

19:00 – 21:00 Welcome Reception & Intercultural Icebreaking by Host & Organisers
Venue: City Hall, Municipality of Ljubljana

Welcome Remarks by:
- Mr Zoran JANKOVIĆ, Mayor of Ljubljana, Slovenia
- Ambassador Toru MORIKAWA, Executive Director, Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF)

Intercultural Icebreaking by:
- Ms Reka TOZSA, Director, Education Department, Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF)
- Ms Jyoti RAHAMAN, Senior Project Executive, Education Department, Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF)

Participant-to-participants informal self-introductions

DAY 2 – MONDAY, 13 NOVEMBER 2023
SETTING THE SCENE: KEYNOTE, LECTURES & WORKSHOPS

09:00 – 09:30 Official Opening Remarks

Opening Remarks by:
- Ms Maja BALANT SLOBODJANAC, ASEF Governor for Slovenia, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia
- Ambassador Toru MORIKAWA, Executive Director, Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF)
- Professor John SHAWE-TAYLOR, UNESCO Chair for AI, Director, Centre for Computational Statistics & Machine Learning, University College London (UCL), United Kingdom; Director, IRCAI, Slovenia

09:30 – 10:30 Keynote 1
The Present & Future of AI Driven Digital Transformation of Education across Asia and Europe

The aim of this session is to introduce participants to AI and AI&ED (AI and education). The keynote speakers will reflect on current trends and status of AI and AI&ED across Asia and Europe and encourage participants to reflect on their own teaching scenarios.

Speakers:
- The Global Landscape of AI:
  - Mr Daisuke ASANO, Director, Educational Industries Office, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, Japan [tbc]

- The Global Landscape of AI&ED:
  - Dr Wayne HOLMES, Associate Professor, UCL Knowledge Lab, University College London (UCL) United Kingdom [tbc]
10:30 – 11:00 | Coffee, Tea & Networking Break

During the coffee break (and/or at the start of the day), participants will put up posters illustrating their use (if any) of AIED tools with their students and commenting on the outcomes, benefits, challenges, and ethics, and they will have the opportunity to look at other participants’ posters. It is important that the posters explore the challenges (and should not be just about selling the benefits).

11:00 – 11:30 | Lecture 1 | Learning about AI (AI Literacy)
Fundamentals of AI from a Humanistic Viewpoint

The aim of this session is to warm-up participants and to set the topic conversational scene for the 5-day conference. It will focus on AI ethics by design, raising self-awareness and critical views among participants on AI in a peer-to-peer setting.

Speaker:
- Prof Vanessa NUROCK, UNESCO Chair (The Ethics of the Living & Artificial) and Professor, Université de la Cote d’Azur, France [tbc]

11:30 – 13:00 | Workshop 1 | Learning about AI (AI Literacy)
Fundamentals of AI from a Technological Viewpoint

The aim of this session to provide participants with a practical opportunity to experience an AI tool, building upon a pre-event online session (at which participants will have been encouraged to find and bring to Slovenia a dataset that they can use).

Workshop Facilitator:
- Dr Ajda PRETNAR ŽAGAR, Researcher, Orange Data Mining & Faculty of Computer & Information Science, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia [tbc]

13:00 – 14:00 | Lunch

14:00 – 14:30 | Informal Interaction
Getting to know Each Other through Identity Envelope Poster Presentations

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14:30 – 15:00 | Lecture 2 | Learning with AI (AIED)
The Current Mobilisation & Potential of AIED Tools: Roles & Responsibilities of Teachers & Teacher Trainers

The aim of this session is to explore how AIED tools are increasingly becoming part of education systems, often led by tech companies. The speaker will take the participants on a journey to understand the gap between the potential and the reality of AIED tools, the origin of their mobilisation in the education sector, and what teachers and teacher trainers can do to ensure the right, relevant and effective use of AIED tools.

Speaker:
- Prof Rebecca EYNON, Professor, Oxford Internet Institute & Department of Education, University of Oxford, United Kingdom [tbc]
**Workshop 2 | Learning with AI (AIED)**

**Teacher Experience of AIED Tools**

The aim of this session is for participants to share their experiences of using AIED tools in their teaching practice. 6 (pre-selected) participants will each give a 5-minute presentation about their experience of using AIED tools with their students, critically reflecting on the tools from their perspective as an educator. It is important that the posters explore the challenges (and should not be just about selling the benefits). NB The pre-selected participants will include anyone who is using generative AI (such as ChatGPT). See the next session.

Through small interactive team discussions participants will embark on critically exploring their role as educators and the role of AI in education. Issues that they might consider include digital infrastructure, professional training, and the commercialisation of education.

**Workshop Facilitator:**
- Dr Wayne HOLMES, Associate Professor, UCL Knowledge Lab, University College London (UCL) United Kingdom [tbc]

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**16:30 – 17:00**

**Coffee, Tea & Networking Break**

During the coffee break, participants will have the opportunity to look at other participants’ Identity Envelope posters.

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**Workshop 3 | Learning with AI**

**Generative AI in the Classroom**

The aim of the session is to introduce generative AI (e.g., ChatGPT) and its possible use in the classroom, together with the challenges (worries about cheating) and the ethical issues (e.g., IP theft and Kenyan ‘ghost workers’). If one/two of the participants submitted a poster about generative AI in the classroom, they will be given 5 minutes to present their experience. Participants will explore prompt writing in order to use generative AI to develop ideas, materials, questions etc. for use to support teaching. They will also consider the ethical challenges that they will have to address if they choose to use generative AI in their classrooms.

**Workshop Facilitator:**
- Prof. Colin DE LA HIGUERA, UNESCO Chair in Technologies for the Training of Teachers by Open Educational Resources and Professor, Université de Nantes, France [tbc]

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**18:30 – 19:00**

**Recap | Interactive Feedback Session on Learning from Day 1**

The aim of this session is to provide participants with an opportunity to reflect on their learning from the day. Through various interactive elements participants will not only have the chance to strengthen the knowledge built but also will have a chance to give feedback on how the sessions were like and how they could have been improved for future editions.

**Moderators:**
- Ms Reka TOZSA, Director, Education Department, Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF)
- Ms Jyoti RAHAMAN, Senior Project Executive, Education Department, Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF)

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**19:00 onwards**

**Free Evening**
### DAY 3 – TUESDAY, 14 NOVEMBER 2023

**INNOVATHON AND STUDY VISIT**

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| 09:00 – 09:30 | **Warm Up** Setting the Scene for Day 2  
Interactive Group Game  
Facilitated by:  
- Ms Reka TOZSA, Director, Education Department, Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF)  
- Ms Jyoti RAHAMAN, Senior Project Executive, Education Department, Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF) |
| 09:30 – 10:00 | **Keynote 2:** The Role of Interdisciplinary Education and International Teacher Collaboration in Digital Transformation of Education in the Era of AI  
Speaker:  
- Mr Olli-Pekka HEINONEN, Director-General, International Baccalaureate (IB) School & Former ASEF Governor from Finland/Switzerland [tbc] |
|          | The aim of this session is to inspire participants about the significance of interdisciplinary teaching and international collaboration to advance AI&ED (AI and education) innovation forward in a meaningful way. |
| 10:00 – 11:30 | **Innovathon Session 1** Pitching Ideas for Peer Feedback  
➢ **School Collaboration Track: ASEFClassNet16 Innovative Teaching Practice (ITP)**  
In this session the School Collaboration participants present their joint Innovative Teaching Practice (ITP) ideas in pairs. The pitching of the ITPs developed by participants will take place in a jury style where the presenters will receive feedback from their peers on pedagogical style, practical scope, impact, budget, timeline, implementation strategy, sustainability etc.]  
➢ **Faculty Collaboration Track: Joint Faculty Collaboration Ideas**  
In this session the participating Faculty Collaboration participants presents their collaboration ideas. The pitching of the CIAs developed by participants will take place in a jury style where the presenters will receive feedback from their peers on practical scope, impact, budget, timeline, implementation strategy, sustainability etc.] |
| 11:30 – 12:00 | Coffee/Tea Break  
Venue: Jožef Stefan Institute (JSI) [Room: tbc] |
| 12:00 – 13:00 | **Innovathon Session 2** Working on Ideas in Groups  
Groups continue working on their ITPs and Faculty Collaboration plans according to the feedback and inspiration received in the previous session. [To be held in multiple rooms with multiple groups based on designated mentors and pairs] |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | Lunch |
### Day 3 – Tuesday, 14 November 2023
**Innovathon, Session 3**

**Working on Ideas in Groups**

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<td>What is the current Status of AI&amp;ED in Slovenia? How is the Government of Slovenia tackling digital transformation with AI and planning to prepare teachers for the AI Era?</td>
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Speakers:
- Prof Daniel Andrade, Education and Research Center for Artificial Intelligence and Data Innovator & Associate Professor, Hiroshima University, Japan [tbc]
- Dr Fengchun MIAO, Chief of AI in Education, UNESCO [tbc]
- Prof Ronghua HUANG, Professor of Artificial Intelligence and Education of Beijing Normal University, and UNESCO Chair on AI in Education [tbc]
- Prof Margus Pedaste, Institute of Education, University of Tartu, Estonia [tbc]

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee, Tea & Networking Break

11:00 – 12:00 Roundtable 2 | Learning with AI Effective and Ethical Use of AIED Tools: Roles of EdTech Designers & Readiness of Teachers

This session brings diverse AIED experts and educator from across Asia and Europe to critically discuss significant issues surrounding AIED. The purpose of this session is to engage participants in a timely relevant conversation with experts and help them build their awareness, understanding, and critical perspectives on AIED through multi-stakeholder conversations.

Moderator:
- Prof Colin de la HIGUERRA, UNESCO Chair for Technology & Teacher Training, Professor, University of Nantes, France [tbc]

Speakers:
- Professor John SHAWE-TAYLOR, Director, Centre for Computational Statistics & Machine Learning, University College London (UCL), United Kingdom; Director, IRCAI, Slovenia [tbc]
- Mrs Juliette BENTLEY, Education Innovation Specialist, Datacom [tbc]
- Dr Ajda PRETNAR ŽAGAR, Researcher, Orange System & Faculty of Computer & Information Science, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia [tbc]
- Mr Dev ADITYA, AI-enabled EdTech developer, UK/India [tbc]

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch

13:00 – 14:30 Innovathon | Session 4
Final Pitching for the ASEFClassNet16 Innovative Teaching Practices (ITPs) by School Collaboration Participants

14:30 - 15:00 Coffee, Tea & Networking Break

15:00 – 16:00 Innovathon | Session 5
Final Pitching of the ASEFClassNet16 Faculty Collaboration Participants
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**DAY 5 – THURSDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2023**

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Co-organisers

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