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UNITWIN/UNESCO Chairs Programme

Progress Report

Period of activity: August 2007- July 2008

UNESCO Chair in Higher Education Management

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I. Activities

1. Academic activities

Education

Courses in Higher Education Management and Business Administration.
Target group: Postgraduate students at the University of Bath.

Research

Educational development in the Middle East, India, East Asia and China.
Target group: University professionals and educational administrators.

2. Conferences/Meetings

“India: 60 years of Educational Progress and Challenges”

Date and Place: December 2007, British Houses of Parliament, London.

“Ghana: 50 years of Educational Progress and Challenges”

Date and Place: November 2007, British Houses of Parliament, London.

“Human Rights and Social Justice”

Date and Place: May 2008, London.

“Higher Education and International Development: The Contribution of UNESCO Chairs”

Date and Place: January 2008, University of Nottingham.

3. Partnerships

Council for Education in the Commonwealth (CEC), United Kingdom
National University of Lesotho, Lesotho
University of Zambia, Zambia
Stellenbosch University, South Africa

University of Pretoria, South Africa
The University of South Africa, South Africa

II. Impact

During the report year 2007-2008, the UNESCO Chair in Higher Education Management developed its international program of academic exchange with universities in African countries including Lesotho, Zambia and South Africa. Students from Sub-Saharan Africa, East Asia and the Caribbean have participated in the doctoral program in Higher Education Management and have earned postgraduate degrees from the University of Bath.

III. Forthcoming activities

The UNESCO Chair in Higher Education Management will organize a World Conference on Higher Education in June 2009. Part of the Chair's agenda is to incorporate new personnel to assist in the partnership programs with foreign universities. It is the objective of the Chair to develop further exchange programs with universities in Africa and other developing countries and to promote the diversification of the academic community at the University of Bath.