



# **Announcement**

#### News on ICT in Education

## Highlight

#### Celebrating Innovative ICT in Education Practices: From Idea to Impact

Participants gave their thumbs-up for the heads-on, hearts-on and hands-on activities at this special UNESCO event. An innovative spirit was clearly evident during the presentations, exhibition and training workshops.

# **News & Events**

## UNESCO Director-General opens the Education Leaders' Forum

How can e-technology help higher education institutions prepare students for the future? This key question was explored by education ministers, senior officials and other policy leaders from all over the world at the Education Leaders' Forum (ELF), organised by Microsoft at UNESCO Headquarters on 7 and 8 July. The event was opened by UNESCO Director-General, Mr Koïchiro Matsuura.

#### UN launches e-collaborative hub for ICT for Development and capacity building

e-Co Hub, designed and developed by APCICT, seeks to provide an interactive space for sharing knowledge, resources and experiences on ICT for Development capacity building.

#### Strengthening the development of human resources through ICT

A memorandum of understanding was signed between UNESCO and Keio University on 26th June in Tokyo Japan, for "Mobilising Science Knowledge for Sustainable Development in Asia and the Pacific through Information and Communication Technologies".

#### Singapore and Republic of Korea among the top ten in the Global Information Technology Report 2007-2008

Denmark is the most networked economy in the world, followed by Sweden and Switzerland, according to The Global Information Technology Report 2007-2008, released by the World Economic Forum.

## International seminar on Open and Distance Learning to be held in Indonesia

Under the topic of "Acceleration of Educational Quality and Quantity through the Provision of Open and Distance Learning Programs in Southeast Asian (SEA) Countries," an international Seminar by SEAMOLEC and Universitas Terbuka will be offered on 26-27 August, 2008 in Jakarta, Indonesia.

# **Programmes & Projects**

#### ICT in school education - the model of the Byrraju Foundation

The Byrraju Foundation introduced ICT to 294 rural government schools with the help of alliance partners. The programme - "ICT in School Education – Six Point Approach: A Byrraju Model" - helps teachers and students to increase their understanding of science, mathematics and other skills at the primary and secondary education levels.

## Resources

#### "Own Your Own Library" is the theme of the 2008 World eBook Fair

Project Gutenberg – with the assistance of the World eBook Library and a number of other eBook initiatives –promises one million-plus eBooks free for downloading in the month-long 2008 World eBook Fair.

## Theory and Practice of Online Learning - Second edition released

This publication is concerned with assisting providers of online education with useful tools to carry out teaching and learning transactions online. It presents, in an easily readable form, the theory, administration, tools, and methods of designing and delivering learning online.

## Mobile learning: Small devices, Big issues

This article addresses the central issues of what is mobile learning and how it can be designed and evaluated.

#### The Reinventing Education Change Toolkit

The Reinventing Education Change Toolkit helps education professionals to be more effective at leading and implementing change.

#### SchoolForge.net - Advocating free and open resources for education

SchoolForge is a "community focal point" designed to bring together free and open resources for education.

Best regards,

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