

# COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAMMES IMPLEMENTED IN RUSSIA FOR COMPLIANCE WITH UNESCO ICT-CFT

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#### **ABSTRACT**

This report presents the results of an analytical study undertaken to assess the compliance of teacher training programmes and courses with UNESCO ICT Competency Framework for Teachers (UNESCO ICT-CFT).

The study was particularly focused on the programmes of ICT vendors (including interactive technologies providers), professional development institutions, universities, vocational, and other education institutions.

In addition, the study:

- reviewed and classified teacher training and professional development programmes;
- identified problems of the research and developed a general assessment method of training programmes;
- carried out an assessment of training programmes for their compliance
   with UNESCO ICT-CFT; and,
- suggested approaches for the improvement of training programmes and their modification to meet the UNESCO ICT-CFT recommendations.

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

AP KIT Information & Computer Technologies Industry Association

CPE Additional professional education
DE Distance education, e-learning

El Educational Institution

EMC Educational and Methodological Council

EMU Education and Methodology Union

EQF The European Qualifications Framework

FSES Federal State education standards

FSR Federal state requirements

HE Higher education

ICT Information and Communication Technologies

ICT-CFT UNESCO ICT Competency Framework for Teachers (ICT-CFT)

ISRB The integrated skills reference book of executives, specialists and

employees

IT Information Technologies

LC Life cycle

MAC ICT ICT Multivendor and Academic Consortium

MEP Main Educational Programme – a set of instructional documents

regulating goals, expected results, content and implementation of

the education process in certain area (specialty) of HE

NQF; NQF RF National Qualifications Framework of the Russian Federation

OKOP All-Russian Classifier of education programmes

OKPDTR Of workers' and employees' occupations and wage grades

OKSO All-Russian Classifier of Professions in Education
OKVED All-Russian Classifier of Types of Economic Activity

OKZ All-Russian Classifier of Occupations

PS Professional Standard
QR Qualifying Requirements

RUIE Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs

SES State educational standard

SVE Secondary vocational education
TTI Teacher training institutions

UNESCO IITE UNESCO Institute for Information Technologies in Education ETKC Integrated wage-rates and skills reference guide of workers

#### Introduction

Today, students around the world widely use information and communication technologies (ICT) for everyday communication, creative work, and information exchange, so they expect to be able to do the same in their education environment. However, educators need support in understanding when and how to use ICT in the learning process to be able to find a common language with their students, and to share their experience and knowledge.

As it is mentioned in the UNESCO IITE Policy Brief "ICTs and Teacher Competence" (October 2011), the goal of ICT initiatives in schools is not simply to use ICTs more effectively in teaching; rather, the goal is to impact and improve economic development at many levels through the use of ICTs."

One of the important lessons of the past decades has been that the use of ICTs in education is a multifaceted process involving teacher competence requirements, teaching materials, ICT tools, and daily work of students and teachers. This process is also connected with a national policies and the level of socio-economic development.

In this regard, UNESCO, as a result of successful continued cooperation with CISCO, INTEL, ISTE, and Microsoft, and using recommendations of ICTs in education specialists around the world, has developed the **ICT Competency Framework for Teachers**, or **ICT-CFT**, which aims to help countries develop comprehensive national ICT competency policies and standards for teachers.

However, the existence of rules and standards for teachers' ICT competence is not sufficient to produce necessary changes. The most important element in school reform and effective implementation of ICTs is continuous professional development and training of teachers.

Taking into account the above-mentioned factors, UNESCO IITE initiated research aimed to analyse the state-of-the-art in teacher ICT competence and to develop recommendations on the use of ICT-CFT. The Russian Federation was chosen as a pilot region, as the use of ICTs in Russian education is an actively ongoing process.

The research was focused on educational and training programmes, courses, and initiatives of:

- ICT vendors producing modern hardware and software
- Professional development and retraining institutions
- Institutions of higher education, secondary vocational education, and other educational settings

#### Aims and goals of the project

The aim of the project is to assess teacher training programmes for compliance with UNESCO ICT-CFT.

The goals of the project are the following:

- Review and classify teacher training programmes in the area of ICTs
- Develop a methodology of assessment and analyse existing teacher training programmes

- Assess teacher training programmes for their compliance with UNESCO
   ICT-CFT
- Work out approaches to improve training programmes to meet ICT-CFT requirements

#### Practical use and application of the Project results

The Project results will be recommended to be used by the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation, regional education authorities of constituents of the Russian Federation, and education institutions implementing the programmes of professional development of education personnel – IT vendors, professional training and retraining institutions, universities, secondary vocational institutions, etc.

The results will provide mechanisms to bring training programs for education personnel to conformity with the international UNESCO ICT-CFT requirements.

#### **Structure of the report**

The present document is a result of the Project "Comparative analysis of teacher training programmes for compliance with UNESCO ICT-CFT recommendations" and is designed both for project participants and, by extension, all stakeholders.

After the present introduction, the document has four main sections. Section 1 provides an overview and classification of training programmes for professional development of school and higher education educators. Section 2 describes approaches and a generalized evaluation method of training programmes. Section 3 carries out an assessment of training programmes for compliance with UNESCO ICT-CFT. Special attention is paid to the analysis of the federal state education standards (FSES) in higher education. Finally, the conclusion summarizes the main results of the work and discusses approaches for improving the programmes to meet UNESCO ICT-CFT recommendations.

#### 1. Review and classification of teacher training programmes

#### 1.1 Classification of teacher training programmes

In Russia there are a great number of training programmes for professional development of education personnel of higher and secondary schools in the field of ICT. They can be divided into three groups:

- Programmes of state education institutions
  - Education and training of education personnel within the system of secondary vocational education (SVE)
  - Education and training of education personnel within the system of higher education (HE) (bachelor's, master's and specialist degree programmes)
  - Further training, retraining, and acquiring of additional qualifications within the system of Additional Professional Education (APE)<sup>1</sup>
- Programmes of commercial organizations and private education centres
  - Technology courses of IT-vendors, aimed at the study of a concrete software or hardware product
  - o Basic ICT literacy courses, which are often not connected or only slightly connected with any particular vendor's develop-

Nowadays the new Federal Low "On Education" suggests big changes in APE system. The study was conducted before the mentioned Low was accepted.

ments

- o Project-based education suggested by a distributor who provides specialized ICTs for education (such as interactive hardware or software) and organization of education processes (systems of distance learning, management information systems in HE institutions, etc.)
- Joint programmes/projects of state and commercial institutions
   These programmes can also be divided by the target audience:
- Teacher training programmes, which take into account the specific character of pedagogical activities, and contain corresponding examples and instructions
- Programmes for technical staff and end users, who leverage certain ICTs
   without reference to teaching

It also should be noted that some ICT vendors do not suggest any special training for teachers and educators, but provide training and methodological materials containing recommendations on the organization of education process, guidelines, best practices, and other documents. These materials allow educators to acquire necessary competence by themselves, sometimes spontaneously, and take up modern pedagogical practices.

In addition, we should mention the important role of specialized conferences, open educational resources, and education community forums (such as "In-

novative Teachers Network," http://www.it-n.ru) where teachers share their experiences, best teaching practices, and conduct mini-courses and workshops.

#### 1.1.1 Teacher training programmes within the systems of secondary vocational and higher education

In September 2011, Russia accepted Federal State Education Standards (FSES) for HE and SVE, which form the basis for enrolment of new students. It defines areas of professional specialization, among which the major group EDU-CATION AND PEDAGOGY 050000 is of particular interest to us. Within HE, it is represented by the following specialties, with corresponding bachelor's and master's programmes:

- 050100 Pedagogical education
- 050400 Psychological and pedagogical education
- 050700 Special (defectological) education
- 051000 Professional education (by subject area)

There is also a specialist's programme:

• 050407 – Pedagogy and psychology of deviant behaviour.

Within the SVE system, the major group EDUCATION AND PEDAGOGY 050000 includes the following specialties:

- 050130 Music education
- 050139 Fine arts and drawing
- 050141 Physical culture
- 050142 Adaptive physical culture
- 050144 Early childhood education

- 050146 Primary school teaching
- 050148 Pedagogy of additional education
- 050710 Special needs early childhood education
- 050715 Pedagogy of special needs primary education
- 051001 Professional education (by subject area).

#### 1.1.2 APE programmes

Regulatory documents currently in force in the Russian Federation specify the following types of APE programmes<sup>1</sup>:

#### • (Further) Professional training

- Short-term further training with the issuance of a certificate (72 to 100 hours)
- Middle-term training with the issuance of a certificate (100 to 500 hours)

#### • Professional retraining

- Professional retraining with the issuance of a diploma, giving the right (according to a qualification) to carry out new type of professional activity (over 500 hours, no upper limit)
- APE programme with assignment of additional qualification, with a diploma granted in addition to the higher education (over 1000 hours, in accordance with determined standards)

#### Internship

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The new Law "On Education" changes the APE structure slightly by introducing new rules and mechanisms for acquiring additional qualifications.

Professional retraining of specialists is a separate type of APE, which is conducted taking into account the profile of education earlier obtained. It is implemented by institutions of professional training and retraining, as well as by departments of HE or SVE institutions. These programmes are of two types:

- programmes that improve the knowledge of specialists to perform a new type of professional activity on the basis of established qualification requirements for specific professions or positions
- programmes that provide additional qualification and are composed in accordance with federal state requirements for minimum content and the level of requirements for specialists to obtain additional qualification

Retraining programmes for the performance of a new type of professional activity are created by education institutions when they are licensed.

APE programmes for obtaining additional qualifications are formed at the request of the ministries, departments, and government education authorities.

Internships provide real-world practice for the professional knowledge and skills acquired through theoretical training; they facilitate the study of best practices and the acquisition of professional and organizational skills for new professional duties.

Internships can be held in enterprises, leading research institutions, education institutions, consulting companies, or executive agencies, both in the Russian Federation and abroad. After the internship a student is granted a certificate of professional training depending on the number of hours of internship.

## List of approved additional qualifications in the area of pedagogy and education:

- Teacher
- Higher Education Teacher
- Higher Education Manager (by type of specialization)
- Education Manager (for heads of pre-school educational settings and institutions of general education)
- Education Manager (for Federal and municipal education authorities)

#### 1.1.3 Training programmes and courses of ICT vendors

Most of the big local and foreign ICT vendors develop and support programmes and individual courses for the education system, which can be divided into the following groups:

- V<sub>1</sub>: basic computer literacy and technological competency courses for educators, as well as advanced courses on the use of ICTs in education;
   e.g., Intel® Teach to the Future Programme
- V<sub>2</sub>: training courses for schools/universities delivered in the "academic mode" during the semester; e.g., Cisco Networking Academy courses
- V<sub>3</sub>: specialized trainings, training courses, and certification programmes for trainers of training centres; e.g., Microsoft Certified Trainer (MCT) programme
- V<sub>4</sub>: education methodological complexes to support technological training courses and designed for students of training centres

- V<sub>5</sub>: technology courses to train in the use of certain ICTs and provided in the education system on free or concessional terms; typically, linked to industrial certification
- $V_6$ : specialized courses for the heads of education institutions

#### 1.2 Review of training programmes for teacher training and professional development

#### 1.2.1 Microsoft training programmes

Microsoft implements a large number of educational projects intended for school teachers, university professors, and educators of other levels. The largest among them are the following:

#### Microsoft 'Partners in Learning' programme

This programme is a long-term Microsoft initiative aiming to provide the education community (school teachers, students, methodologists, school principals) with additional opportunities and resources for effective learning and incorporating technologies into the learning process. It includes a number of subprogrammes (projects and education initiatives)

- IT Academy for Teachers Training
- Teacher training within the System of continuous self-defined professional development of educators, developed by Microsoft on the basis of UNESCO ICT-CFT
- "Innovative Teachers Network" portal one of the most popular online communities in Russia for teachers who are keen on the use of information technologies in their professional activities, with more than

70,000 active users of the portal <a href="www.it-n.ru">www.it-n.ru</a>, over 27,000 instruction support materials available, trainings, communication and exchange of experience on pressing teaching issues

- Global educators network at 'Partners in learning' portal
- School Research to measure and develop 21st century teaching and learning skills
- Microsoft Innovative School Program, the project to support innovations in school development.

Teacher training within the System of continuous self-defined professional development of educators, elaborated by Microsoft on the basis of UNESCO standards

The System of continuous self-defined professional development of educators (SCSDPDE) was created by Microsoft based on the UNESCO project for the development, formulation, and approval of ICT competence framework (ICT-CFT), with the objective of having modern educators working in a modern ICT-enhanced environment<sup>2</sup>.

The Microsoft SCSDPDE starts with a 40-question entrance test. Based on the results, the system assigns each user the mandatory and optional training courses to pass online at an easy pace (self-defined learning path).

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The UNESCO ICT Competency Framework for Teachers is available at http://iite.unesco.org/publications/3214694/

The programme has 40 training modules within six courses, which cover various aspects of a teacher's activities, such as evaluation; pedagogical practices; organization of learning in pairs, groups, or individual mode; extracurricular work; professional development; etc. The average time for completing the whole programme is about 30 hours; the courses are available through the Internet.

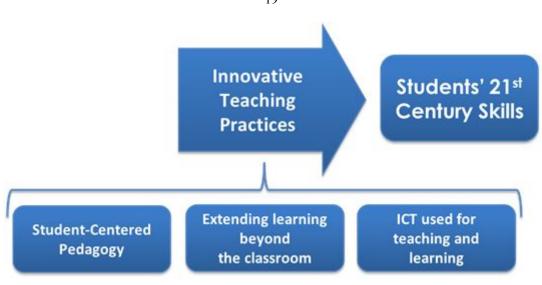
At the end of each course, a trainee is evaluated. In case of successful online testing (over 80% of correct answers), the trainee is granted a certificate that contains a trainee's personal portfolio in the System. In addition, since 2012, the teachers who have passed the SCSDPDE training can take **face-to-face testing** in authorized Microsoft testing centres for the 'Microsoft Certified Educator' certificate.

According to Microsoft, the System may become a prototype of regional training programmes that are developed using advanced trends in education and on the basis of new education standards.

## Microsoft Partners in Learning School Research to measure 21st Century teaching and learning skills

Microsoft Partners in Learning School Research is based on the principles of the international research project Innovative Teaching and Learning Research (ITL Research). Its goal is to provide schools with a system that defines and measures innovative teaching. It helps school personnel monitor how innovative teaching practices are emerging over time within their schools.

The ITL Research model contains three core elements of innovative teaching practices, shown on figure 1.1.



**Figure 1.1 – Innovative Teaching Practices** 

Each of the three elements of innovative teaching practices are explored and measured separately in the Partners in Learning School Research Surveys.<sup>3</sup>

Participation in the study provides schools with:

- measures of innovative teaching and learning practices specific to them.
- a comparison of school leaders' and educators' perspectives on these practices.
- opportunities to examine their scores relative other schools in their region or country.
- insight into how to make technology investments more effective for student learning.
- data to guide educator professional development and school investment decisions.
- examples of innovative teaching practices.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Details and definitions of these concepts are available at www.itlresearch.com.

 a baseline for a common dialogue among educators, parents, students and other community stakeholders about transforming teaching and learning practices.

Figure 1.2 presents an example report on a study conducted in a Russian school – the answer to the question "To what extent do you find the following to be barriers to using ICT in your target class?"

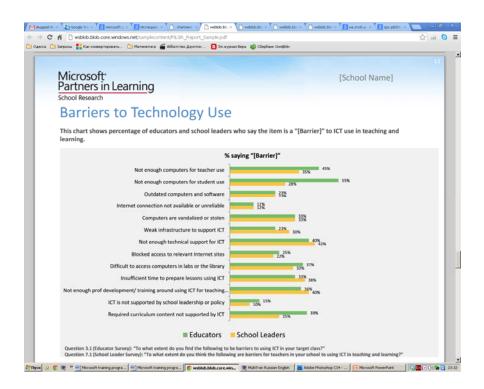


Figure 1.2 – Sample question from a report

Microsoft Innovative School Program to support schools innovative development

The Microsoft Partners in Learning "Innovative School Program" works with communities of schools, united by a common desire to transform education.



Figure 1.3 – FIGURE TITLE

The purpose of the program is to help schools and education communities throughout the world go successfully through the transformation process, providing model solutions and detailed plans for their implementation. The program provides the guidance, which helps education institution to move forward confidently.

The Program suggests to all its members an Innovative School Toolkit, which helps schools define the area of innovation, design solutions to meet the schools' unique needs, and share their experience with others (see figure 4). The Toolkit includes:

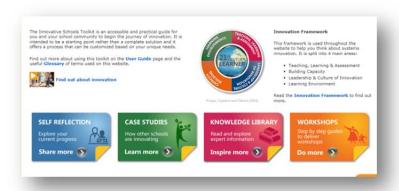


Figure 1.4 – Innovative School Toolkit

- Online instruments for self-assessment and reflection
- Case studies describing successful innovative practices from the program's members experience
- A knowledge library containing about three dozens of carefully selected materials, prepared by leading world experts in the field of school reforming
- Workshops and consultations by recognized international experts, as well as materials that can be used in pedagogical and technological workshops in schools

#### Global educators network at the 'Partners in learning' portal

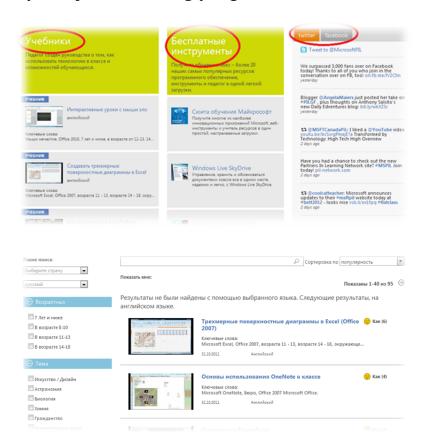
The "Partners in learning" portal (www.pil-network.com) is a network for teachers, created by teachers, and supported by practicing teachers. The portal provides access to free educational software for online and off-line professional development. It is also a platform for educators to discuss new educational technologies, share experiences, and present their own successful models of classroom work, extracurricular work, and school management.

The portal unites over 4 million registered users from 115 countries and who speak 36 different languages. Microsoft Translator Services automatically translates text materials into users' native language.

Users' dynamic personal and professional profile can be integrated with the user's personal blog, Facebook, or Twitter.

The site features over 20 free software applications and a daily updated collection of educational materials in various formats: video, presentations, text, PDF, etc.

#### 1.2.2 Kaspersky Lab training programmes



Figures 1.5 and 1.6 – Kaspersky Lab

Kaspersky Lab provides teacher training on information security basics within the "Kaspersky Academy" programme in the following forms:

- Webinars (remote seminars)
- Face-to-face seminars
- Self-training using the materials of their web site<sup>4</sup>

Webinars. Online meetings with a duration between 30 minutes and three hours. During the meeting, the lecturer explains student the basic principles of information security, demonstrates modern protection against computer threats, and shows how to treat or remove malware. At the end of the course, students are encouraged to use this knowledge in their professional activities. Some courses include laboratory work and tests, which are offered to trainees for final evaluation. After the seminar, participants receive a certificate from the company.

#### Themes of the webinars:

- Online training for educators "Basics of computer security", 6 hours
- Modern computer threats, 2 hours
- Modern mobile threats, 1 hour
- Financial information security, 2 hours
- Change over to Linux: the pros and cons of Kaspersky Anti-Virus for Linux File Server, 2 hours
- New features of Kaspersky Anti-Virus for Windows Workstation, 2 hours
- Malware for Non-Windows platforms, 1 hour
- Social networking security, 0.5 hours
- Computer threats: classification and history, 2 hours
- Spam: how it appears, spreads and ways to prevent it, 1 hour

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Kaspersky Academy web site, <a href="http://academy.kaspersky.com/index.html">http://academy.kaspersky.com/index.html</a>

- Intellectual property, 1 hour
- Information Security Lesson, 1 hour

The geographical scope of the webinars is the Russian Federation and CIS States. The Central and Siberian Federal regions are the most active. The number of participants of one webinar is 30-40 people. In total, over 1.5 thousand participants have been trained – 48% were school teachers (66% of whom were teachers of science and ICT) and 27% were university professors.

**Face-to-face seminars.** These are meetings with school teachers and university professors within the one-day seminar "Information security day," aimed at updating participants' knowledge in the field of information security, and exploring new trends and the current situation in the world of computer threats. The duration of the meeting is 2-3 hours, and the number of participants can be 100 and more.

#### Issues:

- Modern computer threats
- Modern anti-virus technologies;
- Classification of malware
- Social networking threats
- Software and intellectual property

The total number of participants since 2005 has exceeded 8.7 thousand people. The regions covered have been Moscow and Moscow region, Saratov, Samara region, Tver Region, Republic of Tatarstan, Omsk region, Novosibirsk region,

Tomsk, Transbaikalia territory, Astrakhan region, Republic of Karelia, Leningrad Region, Perm region, Krasnodar, etc.

**Materials for self-learning.** Kaspersky Academy provides for its students free access to webinar presentations and recordings, instructions, and brochures concerning information security. The following training courses are also available for free:

- Basics of computer security, 16 hours + labs
- Computer threats: methods of detection and analysis, 32 hours + labs
- ABC of information security, 1-5 school grades, a part of EMC "The basics of information protection, 1-11 grades," + labs

In total, over 1,5 thousand of institutions participate in Kaspersky Lab's training initiatives in Russia and CIS, and over 100 abroad.

In addition to training teachers, the Kaspersky Academy programme invites participants to take part in competitions aimed at getting practical use of the knowledge obtained. Contests of various subjects and focuses are united by one theme: information security. The format varies from written essays to computer games, songs and videos. Since the programme started, over 24,000 people attended competitions and 900,000 were awarded diplomas and prizes (1–3 places).

#### 1.2.3 Intel training programmes

Intel has a large number of educational projects that are mainly focused on the school education system, among them:

- Intel® Teach to the Future programme, which helps teachers to effectively use the newest information and education technologies to teach students key competencies based on 21st century values, knowledge, and skills
- Intel® Learn Programme, which includes training courses built on educational technologies of critical thinking, collaborative learning, and project-based activities
- Letopisi.Ru, which is aimed at the creation and development of a network community of teachers in Russia and CIS for implementation of network projects together with their students

**Intel® Teach to the Future** is a worldwide programme of teacher professional development that now covers more than 5 million teachers in 40 countries worldwide, and their number is constantly growing.

The programme is designed to help teachers master the newest information and education technologies, and to expand their use in the classroom, in their training materials, in project work, and in students' independent research.

The main idea of the Programme is to effectively integrate information and education technology into the classroom in order to develop students' key competencies based on the 21st century values, knowledge, and skills.

#### Training models

Trainees can choose a training course in accordance with their needs from the range of courses offered by the Program today. School teachers trained within the Intel® Teach to the Future Programme can participate in additional methodological workshops, obtain a tutor's certificate, and continue working with their colleagues at "school educational platforms". The training is free of charge; each trainee is given a CD-ROM with a textbook; a certificate is issued after successful completion of the course.

Annually, the programme's alumni are provided with a wide spectrum of opportunities:

- Participation in all-Russian network projects and competitions for teachers and their students
- Support of participation in various Russian and international activities
- Professional training by the tutors of the Programme and others

The history of the programme in Russia

The programme was launched In Russia in November 2001 with the support of the Ministry of Education of the Russian Federation. From February 2002 to December 2010, over 700,000 people were trained on the programme, and in 2010 alone 90,000 people were trained. In July 2005, Intel signed an agreement with the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation on the support of the teacher training program for 5 years. Every year the programme gains new partners, and in 2010, the programme was hosted by 125 education centres (pedagogical universities and colleges, teacher training and retraining institutions, etc.) in 80 Russian regions. Regional authorities consider the programme one of the main teacher training programmes in their region and finance the major part of the Programme. In many regions, the Programme is suggested to school heads to be chosen for teacher professional development. Most of the institutions participating in

the programme have included the course into their state education programmes and plans.

The programme is widely recognized among the Russian education community – school teachers, university professors, TTI – and is considered one of the best teacher training programmes for mastering education technologies and their incorporation into the learning process today. The programme has received more than 200 awards and certificates from the regional offices of education.

Since 2007, a long-distance version of the Intel® Teach Program Essentials Course – Intel® Teach Essentials Online Course – has been actively implemented in the regions. The new version (version 10) of the face-to-face Intel® Teach Essentials Course was successfully introduced in 2008; the training of tutors was held in all regions of the Programme.

In 2010, the Programme launched its first self-education course, "Project-based learning," within the "Elements" series (a fascinating series of short self-study courses). The "Project-based learning" course introduces school teachers to the method of learning by project and teaches them to practice this method in the classroom. The course consists of five training modules, introduction, and concluding part. Virtual teachers, an intuitive user interface, and interactive exercises make the learning process interesting and exciting. Trainees pass the course in a self-study mode, complete all or any of electronic tasks, and develop a plan for a project. Self-study courses can be taken off-line, using CD-ROM, or online.

#### **Intel® Learn Programme**

The Intel® Learn Programme is part of a worldwide project "Innovations in Education". The programme is currently being implemented in Brazil, Chile, China, Egypt, India, Israel, Mexico, Turkey, and Russia. It was developed to help children who don't have permanent access to computer technologies not only acquire basic computer skills, but also skills of team-working, problem-solving, and critical thinking.

Intel® designed this programme to teach information technologies and at the same time help teachers effectively use them in the education process; it provides the possibility of student-oriented developmental education. Training on the programme raises the technological literacy of trainees, as well as teaches them how to make choices and decisions. Education technologies of critical thinking, networking, and project-based activities have been incorporated into the course to simultaneously master personality-centred teaching and team-working skills.

The Intel® Learn Programme is being implemented in Russian education institutions since 2005 and it offers three training courses:

- Technology and Community
- Technology at Work
- Technology and Entrepreneurship

Since the programme was launched, its courses have been taken by more than 150,000 students of education institutions in the Republic of Karelia, Mari El, Tatarstan, Chuvashia, and the regions of Novosibirsk, Voronezh, Vladimir, Orenburg, Pskov, Samara, Tomsk, Nizhny Novgorod, Astrakhan, and Omsk, as well as

in the cities of Moscow, St. Petersburg, Zheleznogorsk (Kursk region), Anapa (Crimea).

Education institutions of the Russian Federation implement the Intel® Learn Programme using the following organizational models:

- extra-curriculum groups
- elective courses
- specialized courses
- ICT courses for 5-7-grade students
- vacation schools and summer camps
- extra-curriculum project activities
- training courses in English
- teaching of school children by students of pedagogical institutions within their education practice
- corporate education model (training as a team of primary school teachers and all students)

#### Main model

The course is carried out as extra-curricular (optional) activity. In most cases, such courses are held in schools after the compulsory lessons. These sessions are not mandatory for students; their participation is up to them and their parents. There may be different organizational forms:

Extra-curricular groups: studies are not connected with main school curriculum, choice to enrol is free, mixed age groups, course can be attended by children from other schools

- Elective courses: optional courses for students from one class or different classes of the same school level (e.g., eight-graders); sometimes students are required to attend a certain amount of elective courses on their own choice
- Specialized (profile) courses: the courses corresponding a student's specialization (profile) at high school level; the choice to enrol is free.

#### Second model

The course of Informatics and ICT is included into compulsory school curriculum. Since 2006 it has been fully implemented only in Chuvashia region, where it has been delivered by 24 centres. Thanks to cooperation with the Ministry of Education of Chuvash Republic, the Intel® Learn Programme has been incorporated into the Republic's school curriculum for the Informatics course for school grades 5–7.

There are plans to spread this model to other regions. The Ministry of Education of the Republic of Karelia, for instance, has prepared recommendations to include the Intel® Learn Programme into mandatory school curriculum (regional component, grades 5–6, "Students' Educational Research Activities", one hour per week, 32 hours per year).

#### Other models

The third model involves holding the programme courses in vacation camps for children. Summer sites and camps are organized in regular schools; classes are taught by school teachers for children of all ages.

The fourth model sees the incorporation of programme courses into school project-based activities (15 2-hour sessions).

In 2010-2011, the fifth model of the programme, "Skills for Success," was launched. In this model, students of pedagogical colleges (various specialties) who complete the training course are awarded a certificate of programme tutor, and start training students within their summer teaching practice.

#### 1.2.4 Training programmes of providers of interactive technologies

In Russia there is a number of providers of specialized educational equipment, including interactive whiteboards, learning response systems, language labs, etc. These technologies promote the use and increase efficiency of new methods in education. Distributors or vendors themselves develop special training courses and create an educational environment with collections of learning content.

Here is a list of some of the companies:

- Polimedia is a supplier of interactive whiteboards of SMART Technologies
   Inc. and supporter of *Polymedia Club* (<a href="http://www.edcommunity.ru/">http://www.edcommunity.ru/</a>),
- Infologics (<a href="http://www.infologics.ru">http://www.infologics.ru</a>) is a distributor of Panasonic and Hitachi interactive boards; it also holds an 8-hour practical seminar within the "Panasonic Academy for teachers" programme (<a href="http://edu.panaboard.ru/seminars/seminarplan.htm">http://edu.panaboard.ru/seminars/seminarplan.htm</a>).

- Promethean (<a href="http://www.prometheanplanet.ru">http://www.prometheanplanet.ru</a>) produces and distributes interactive boards and holds seminars/webinars on the use of ActivInspire, software for creation of educational courses.
- RENE (<a href="http://www.mimioclass.ru/education.htm">http://www.mimioclass.ru/education.htm</a>) supplies education institutions with DYMO/Mimio equipment and carry out training on several programmes such as "New information technologies" (the use of interactive boards), and "Mobile interactive complexes" in secondary school.
- Votum (<u>http://www.votum-edu.ru</u>) provides voting and learning response systems. No training is offered as these systems are rather easy to master.

#### **Polymedia Club seminars**

Polymedia Training Centre offers seminars that allow users to master the skills required to use interactive whiteboards and create specialized content:

- Introduction to SMART Notebook: (level I and II)
- SMART Certified Interactive Teacher
- SMART Certified Lesson Developer for primary teachers
- Advanced SMART Notebook course for tutors
- Introduction to SMART Response
- Introduction to SMART Sync
- The use of SANAKO Study 1200 software complex in teaching and learning foreign languages

There are also distance courses and webinars:

SMART Notebook Training distance course for tutors

- First steps in flash technologies
- Creating multi-page flash-application in Adobe Flash

### 1.2.5 Training programmes of the Academy of Professional Development and Retraining of Education Professionals

The Federal State autonomous education institution "Academy of Professional Development and Retraining of Education Professionals" (APDREP) is an educational and scientific centre within the Federal system of additional professional pedagogical education. It acts as a parent organization in the sphere of professional development and retraining of educators.

APDREP implements a large number of APE programmes of various levels, including professional development in the area of ICTs; among others:

- Methodical features of systemic use of multimedia learning tools in the organization of education process
- Method of using information and communication technologies in primary school in view of the Federal State standard of primary education coming into effect
- Methods of the use and incorporation of multimedia learning tools into the education process in the light of the transition to the new education standards
- Detection methods and analysis of computer threats
- Use of innovative learning tools in the school education process
- Computer and Internet Security

- Method of using new generation of electronic educational resources
   (EER) in the transition to new FSES
- Teaching methodology of C++ algorithms and programming to solve the problem tasks
- Development of web-resources using the technology of web sites design in Content Management System (CMS)
- ICT-based management of education institutions
- Practical course on the use of MS EXCEL 2007 in pedagogical research

# 2. Methods of training programmes assessment

#### 2.1 ICT-CFT: Structure and key features

UNESCO, in partnership with industry leaders and global subject experts, has created an international benchmark that sets out the competencies required to teach effectively with ICT: the UNESCO's ICT Competency Framework for Teachers (UNESCO ICT-CFT). Teachers who meet these requirements (have relevant competencies) are able to successfully implement education process in ICT-saturated learning environment.

UNESCO's Framework emphasizes that it is not enough for teachers to have ICT competencies and be able to teach them to their students. Teachers need to be able to help the students become collaborative, problem-solving, creative learners through using ICT so they will be effective citizens and members of the workforce. The Framework therefore addresses all aspects of a teacher's work:

- Understanding ICT in education
- Curriculum and assessment
- Pedagogy
- ICT
- Organization and administration
- Teacher professional learning

The Framework is arranged in three different approaches to teaching (three successive stages of a teacher's development):

 Technology Literacy, which enables students to use ICT in order to learn more efficiently

- Knowledge Deepening, which enables students to acquire in-depth knowledge of their school subjects and apply it to complex, real-world problems
- Knowledge Creation, which enables students, citizens, and the workforce they will one day become to create the new knowledge required for more harmonious, fulfilling, and prosperous societies.

THE UNESCO ICT COMPETENCY FRAMEWORK FOR TEACHERS			
	TECHNOLOGY LITERACY	KNOWLEDGE DEEPENING	KNOWLEDGE CREATION
UNDERSTANDING ICT IN EDUCATION	Policy awareness	Policy understanding	Policy innovation
CURRICULUM AND ASSESSMENT	Basic knowledge	Knowledge application	Knowledge society skills
PEDAGOGY	Integrate technology	Complex problem solving	Self management
ICT	Basic tools	Complex tools	Pervasive tools
ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION	Standard classroom	Collaborative groups	Learning organizations
TEACHER PROFESSIONAL LEARNING	Digital literacy	Manage and guide	Teacher as model learner

Figure 2.1 – ICT-CFT key modules

The intersection of the three approaches to learning and six education aspects define the ICT competency framework for teachers, consisting of 18 modules with the corresponding codification (TL.1 – TL.6, KD.1 – KD.6, KC.1 – KC.6).

THE FRAMEWORK				
	TECHNOLOGY LITERACY	KNOWLEDGE DEEPENING	KNOWLEDGE CREATION	
UNDERSTANDING ICT IN EDUCATION	TL.1	KD.1	KC.1	
CURRICULUM AND ASSESSMENT	TL.2	KD.2	KC.2	
PEDAGOGY	TL.3	KD.3	KC.3	
ICT	TL.4	KD.4	KC.4	
ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION	TL.5	KD.5	KC.5	
TEACHER PROFESSIONAL LEARNING	TL.6	KD.6	KC.6	

**Figure 2.2 – ICT-CFT Framework** 

The three approaches represent different stages in the use of ICT in education. The approach that a country adopts will depend on the extent to which ICT is integrated into its society, economy, and education system.

It is important to note that the modules of corresponding levels are not mutually exclusive, but rather complement each other – in the general, it is impossible to achieve a higher level, without providing a lower level first. It may cause difficulties in assessing the programmes, as their educational content may belong to different levels and modules.

The ICT-CFT contains a detailed description of each of the 18 modules along the following sections:

- Module title
- Curriculum
- Teacher competencies
- Objectives
- Example methods

For most of the modules the "Objectives" section is divided into sub-sections numbered alphabetically (a, b, c, ...), which contain more detailed indicators of the form "Teachers should be able to..." and corresponding example methods.

<b>TL.3.a.</b> Describe how didactic teaching and ICT can be used to support students' acquisition of school subject matter knowledge.	Describe how the use of ICT and specific types of software can support students' acquisition of school subject matter knowledge and demonstrate ways in which the use of this technology can supplement didactic classroom teaching (i.e., lecture and demonstration teaching).
<b>TL.3.b.</b> Incorporate appropriate ICT activities into lesson plans so as to support students' acquisition of school subject matter knowledge.	Have participants design lesson plans that incorporate tutorial and drill and practices software, and digital resources. Have participants share these plans and receive recommendations from peers.
<b>TL.3.c.</b> Use presentation software and digital resources to support instruction.	Demonstrate the use of presentation software and other digital media to supplement a lecture; provide a variety of examples of instructional presentations; have participants create a lesson plan that includes the use of presentation software; have participants use presentation software to design a presentation.

Figure 2.3 – Detailed ICT-CFT objectives

# 2.2 Difficulties and barriers of programme assessment

The study of the research materials has revealed a number of difficulties to conduct a detailed analysis of the selected training programs for their compliance with UNESCO ICT-CFT. They can be roughly grouped as follows:

- *Distinction between the ICT-CFT levels (TL, KD and KC)* 
  - o ICT-CFT has no distinct criteria for separating the three levels and their cumulative character is not always visible. As a result, authors of the programs (ICT-CFT users) consider the three approaches (levels) as different aspects and try to take them all into account.
  - The vast majority of programmes do not implement all six modules. Moreover, sometimes different parts of the programme can be referred to different approaches (levels). In fact, a partly horizontal layout often takes place (for example, "standard classroom" and "collaborative groups" are regarded).

- o In addition, training programmes are often focused on just some of the aspects of some of the 18 modules. For example, there are programmes that address only "information security" aspects (TL.6c).
- o When assessing the programmes, the authors tend to raise their level, referring to specific examples from the ICT-CFT and to some vague wording in formulation of competencies (and objectives). Examples are given in Appendix 1.

#### ■ *ICT-CFT frame*

- The ICT-CFT matrix itself is sometimes poorly formalized (in terms of practical comparative assessment).
- The modules content of the matrix is not even. For example, the KC level requires the ability to develop strategic documents, and as the technical skills it is recommended to teach tools for multimedia content creation.
- Some modules of the matrix contain overlapping indicators, criteria, and competencies.

# ■ Knowledge Creation (KC) level

- o This level is often achieved by individual work (individual students' projects, contests, etc.), which raises doubts about the prospects of mass training of students at this level.
- It is not clear whether this level should include students' traditional scientific and research activities.

- It is not clear whether the existing network projects and teachers' communities, such as Intel Letopisi.Ru or Microsoft Innovative Teachers Network, refer to this level.
- Large number of programmes and very poor methodological description
  - o For reliable analysis, the thorough study of training materials and other technical documentation is required.
  - O There are many seminars, webinars, and cases that are in line with the ideas of KC level modules, but their systematization is quite time consuming.
  - Shallow analysis conclusions (based on the course annotation or content) are hard to justify in case the authors do not agree with them.

To overcome the difficulties the following actions have been done:

- The total number of studied programmes was reduced for experimental adjustment of assessment methods
  - Federal State Education Standards of higher education for the major group "Education and Pedagogy" (050000)
  - Teacher training and retraining programmes implemented by the Federal state autonomous education institution "Academy of Professional Development and Retraining of Education Professionals" (APDREP)

- Programmes of big ICT vendors (Intel, Microsoft, and others)
   that have descriptions publicly available and wide reach of target audience
- Analysis of the programmes for compliance with ICT-CFT modules was done without a detailed comparison at the level of sub-objectives
- The mechanism of authors' assessment of their own courses was piloted (see Attachment 1)

#### 2.3 General scheme of programme assessment

The general scheme for the evaluation of training programmes in terms of their compliance with UNESCO ICT-CFT included the following steps:

- Search for training programmes with a detailed description of their structure and content
- Selection of the most popular and widely used training programmes
- Identification of "methodological mark-ups" in the programmes; e.g., description of a course student model, target audience, expected learning outcomes, acquired competencies, etc.
- General expert analysis of training and instruction materials' content;
   e.g., programmes, curricula, training materials, etc.
- Identification of comparison criteria; construction of models of comparative tables and forms of research
- Collecting and using experimental data
- Carrying out comparative analysis to reveal the problem zones

 Providing recommendations to eliminate the revealed shortcomings and non-compliance of a programme with UNESCO ICT-CFT requirements

The concrete realization of the suggested method was carried out depending on the character of the input data and its specific structure. For example, comparative analysis of FSES HE with regard to its compliance to UNESCO ICT-CFT used conventional methodological constructions for the Russian system of education (Table 1).

**Table 2.1 – UNESCO ICT-CFT interpretation** 

No.	UNESCO ICT-CFT	FSES HE
1	Module title	Module of education cycle, name of compe-
		tence
2	Training programme	Sphere of application, types and goals of pro-
		fessional activity
3	Teacher competencies	Competencies of graduates, description of
		competencies
4	Objectives (Teacher should be able to)	Learning outcomes (competencies, knowledge,
		and skills mastering level) and, in some cases,
		details of competencies
5	Example methods	Main ways of acquiring competencies

# 3. Assessment of training programmes for compliance with UNESCO ICT-CFT

#### 3.1 Analysis of the programmes of higher education

#### 3.1.1 Initial data

A key document regulating the content of the education process in higher education is the Federal State Education Standards for Higher Professional Education (FSES HE). Universities should use it as a basis for developing and annually updating their Main education programmes (MEP) for each direction, profile, and master's programme implemented. MEP, in turn, have a number of other regulatory documents that specify the requirements for content and organization of the education process.

FSES HE corresponding to the "Education and pedagogy" major group were used as the initial data in the analysis (Table 3.1)

Table 3.1 – FSES HE "Education and Pedagogy" major group specialties

FSES	Specialty Name	Level
050100	Pedagogical education	
050400	Psychological and pedagogical education	bachelor/
050700	Special (defectological) education	master
051000	Professional education (by subject area)	
050407	Pedagogy and psychology of deviant behaviour	specialist

FSES is a regulatory document approved by the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation, and it consists of the following sections:

- Sphere of application
- Terms, definitions, and abbreviations
- Specialty characteristics
- Characteristics of professional activity
  - o Sphere
  - o Objects
  - o Types
  - o Goals
- Requirements to MEP mastering results
  - o General culture competencies (GC)
  - o Professional competencies (PC)
    - General professional competencies
    - Professional competencies specific for certain types of activities
- Requirements to the MEP structure
- Requirements to MEP implementation conditions
  - o General requirements
  - Requirements to organization of educational and professional practice
  - Staffing requirements to support the education process
  - Requirements for the methodological and informational support of the education process

- o Requirements for financial support of the education process
- o Requirements for the logistics of the education process
- Quality assessment of MEP mastering
- List of the academic community representatives and employers involved in the development of FSES HE

# 3.1.2 Analysis of professional activities characteristics

The process of ICT application in education leads to a change in the role of teachers and educators, as well as to the emergence of new goals in their professional activities. To some extent, this is reflected in FSES, which explicitly specifies the tasks associated with the use of ICTs (Tables 3.2 and 3.3).

Table 3.2 – Comparative analysis of the goals of bachelor's and specialist's professional activities

TOTO	Dueforsional goals of	
FSES	ECEC	Professional goals of
code	FSES	bachelors and specialists
050100	Pedagogical education	The use of opportunities provided by education environment to ensure the quality of education, in particular through application of information technologies
050400	Psychological and peda- gogical education	The use of scientific methods and modern information technologies in professional activities
050700	Special (defectological) education	No focus on the use of ICTs in professional activities
051000	Professional education (by subject area)	

Table 3.3 – Comparative analysis of the goals of master's professional activities

	FSES	Professional goals of masters
050100	Pedagogical education	<ul> <li>Professional goals of masters</li> <li>Use of existing education environment opportunities and design of new conditions, in particular involving ICT, to ensure quality of education</li> <li>Planning, organization, implementation, and evaluation of results of scientific research in the field of education with the use of modern scientific methods, as well as information and innovation technologies</li> <li>Use of existing education environment opportunities and design of new conditions, in particular involving ICT, to solve scientific research problems</li> <li>Content design of new disciplines and elective courses for pre-profile and profile training; development of forms and methods of control, in particular based on information technologies</li> <li>Use of existing education and social environments, as well as design of new information environments, for the development of methodological support of educators' activities.</li> <li>Use of modern ICTs and mass media to solve various</li> </ul>
050400	Psychological and peda-	<ul> <li>cultural and educational challenges</li> <li>Development and use of modern methods of psycho-</li> </ul>

	FSES	Professional goals of masters
	gogical education	logical and educational research, including information and computer methods, with the use of modern methods for processing results, as well as modern data and knowledge bases (networks and Internet technologies)
050700	Special (defectological) education	<ul> <li>Creation of innovative (information) technologies for optimization of special needs education</li> <li>Use of existing education environment opportunities and design of new (information) technologies to solve scientific research problems</li> </ul>
051000	Professional education (by subject area)	No focus on the use of ICTs in professional activities
050407	Pedagogy and psychology of deviant behaviour	

#### **Conclusions**

The analysis of characteristics of professional activities in the FSES HE major group "Education and Pedagogy" shows that:

- at the bachelor's and specialist's levels, not enough attention is paid to the use of ICT in professional activities.
- at the master's level, the use of ICTs in professional activities is emphasized in three of the four specialties, especially in FSES "050100 Pedagogical education," but mainly for research activities. For other types of activities, the goals are not sufficiently specified.

#### **Recommendations**

It is recommended that the use of ICT in educators' professional activities be explicitly indicated in the characteristics of professional activities within the FSES HE "Education and Pedagogy" major group for all levels of education and for all types of professional activities.

# 3.1.3 Analysis of requirements to MEP mastering results

The basic requirements established by FSES on MEP mastering results are formulated as 'general culture' and 'professional' competencies, and are described in the corresponding FSES section.

Analysis of existing standards shows that developers used different approaches, combining them inconsistently, and sometimes confusing competencies with skills and abilities. At the same time, the most common definition of competency accepted in FSES is "the ability (preparedness) to apply the knowledge, skills, and personal qualities to successfully perform activities in a particular area". Taking into account that FSES separately describes sphere, objects, types, and goals of professional activities, as well as knowledge, skills, and abilities, competencies are a kind of a link, connecting all these elements.

 ${\bf Table~3.4-Comparative~analysis~of~bachelor's~and~master's~competencies}$ 

EGEG	General culture competencies	Professional
FSES		competencies
050100 - Pedagog-	<ul> <li>prepared to use basic methods, ways</li> </ul>	• prepared to use modern meth-
ical education	and means of acquisition, saving	ods and technologies, in partic-
	and processing of information; pre-	ular, information technologies,
	pared to use a computer as a means	to ensure education and up-
	of information management (OK-8)	bringing quality at a particular
	<ul> <li>able to work with information in</li> </ul>	level of education (ΠK-2)
	global computer systems (OK-9)	• able to use opportunities of ed-
	<ul> <li>able to understand the meaning and</li> </ul>	ucation environment, in partic-
	significance of information in the	ular, information environment,
	development of modern information	to ensure education and up-
	society, recognize the dangers and	bringing quality at a particular
	threats that arise in the process, re-	level of education (ΠΚ-4)
	spect basic information security re-	
	quirements, including national secu-	
	rity information, including state se-	
	cret protection (OK-12)	
050400 -	• has skills and knows how to use	able to use a modern computer,
Psychological and	basic methods, ways, and means of	information, and communica-
pedagogical educa-	acquisition, saving, and processing	tion technologies in profession-
tion	of information; has skills to use a	al activities (ΟΠ-3)
	computer as a means of information	
	management; understands the mean-	
	ing and significance of information	

FSES	General culture competencies	Professional
roes		competencies
	in the development of modern in-	
	formation society; able to work with	
	information in global computer sys-	
	tems (OK-7)	
050700 -	■ able to use knowledge about the	
Special (defecto-	modern scientific worldview in edu-	
logical) education	cational and professional activities;	
	apply methods of mathematical pro-	
	cessing of information, theoretical,	
	and experimental research methods;	
	able to master basic methods, mo-	
	dalities; and means of information	
	acquisition, saving; and processing,	
	has skills to use a computer (OK-4)	
051000 -	• able to use a computer (basic skills)	
Professional edu-	(OK-23)	
cation (by subject		
area)		

 $Table \ 3.5-Comparative \ analysis \ of \ master's \ and \ specialist's \ competencies$ 

ECEC	General culture competencies	Professional
FSES		competencies
050100 -	able to independently acquire new	■ able to develop forms and
Pedagogical educa-	knowledge and skills through infor-	methods of control of educa-
tion	mation technologies and put them in	tion quality, as well as con-
	practice, in particular, in new areas of	trolling instruments, in par-
	knowledge not directly related to the	ticular, based on information
	field of activities (OK-5)	technologies and using inter-
		national experience (ΠK-15)
		• able to use modern ICTs and
		mass media to solve various
		cultural and educational chal-
		lenges (ΠK-20)
050400 -	<ul> <li>has practical skills to search for scien-</li> </ul>	
Psychological and	tific and professional information us-	
pedagogical educa-	ing modern computer and Internet	
tion	technologies as well as data and	
	knowledge bases (OK-3)	
050700 -	■ able to independently acquire new	■ ability to create innovative,
Special (defecto-	knowledge and skills through infor-	information technologies for
logical) education	mation technologies and put them in	optimization of special needs
	practice, in particular, in new areas of	education process (ΠΚ-4)
	knowledge not directly related to the	<ul> <li>ability to use existing educa-</li> </ul>
	field of activities (OK-5); broadens	tion environments and create
	and deepens scientific outlook (OK-6)	new ones to solve scientific

FSES	General culture competencies	Professional
rses		competencies
		research problems, in particu-
		lar, information environments
		(ПК-13)
	• able and prepared to independently	
051000 - Profes-	acquire new spheres of knowledge	
sional education	through information technologies and	
(by subject area)	use professional pedagogical activi-	
	ties (OK-9)	
050407 Pedagogy	• able to utilize different types of in-	
and psychology of	formation, information resources, and	
deviant behaviour	technologies to apply common meth-	
	ods, techniques, and means of acqui-	
	sition, saving, searching, systematiza-	
	tion, processing, and transfer of in-	
	formation. (OK-14)	

### **Conclusions:**

The most important findings in the analysis of the competencies in the FSES HE major group "Education and Pedagogy" are:

At the bachelor's, specialist's, and master's levels, the ICT usage competencies refer mostly to those of general culture. The bachelor's and master's level of FSES "050100 – Pedagogical education" and in the master's level of FSES "050100 – Pedagogical education" and in the master's level of FSES "050100 – Pedagogical education"

- ters' "050700 Special (defectological) education", in which general culture ICT competencies are completed with professional ones.
- There is no uniformity in the wording of competencies. General culture competencies that don't vary between related groups of specialties are not standardized.
- The formulated competencies are too generic and fragmentary, which makes it hard to evaluate particular graduates' competencies. It is difficult to judge their completeness; i.e., whether they cover the whole range of professional activities.

#### **Recommendations:**

It is recommended that the requirements to the MEP mastering results corresponding to the FSES HE "Education and Pedagogy" major group for all levels:

- include requirements of acquisition of ICT competencies in compliance with UNESCO ICT-CFT.
- indicate the required mastering level of corresponding competencies (learning output) for:
  - o Bachelor's programmes «Knowledge Deepening» (KD)
  - Specialist's and Master's programmes «Knowledge Creation»
     (KC)

It is also recommended that the corresponding amendments to federal universities standards are made for the period of FSES validity. They should be targeted at the "Knowledge Creation" level of UNESCO ICT-CFT.

#### 3.1.4 Analysis of MEP structure

The FSES "Requirements to MEP structure" section, in spite of its title, contains detailed requirements not only for the structure, but also for the whole volume and content of the education process in a conventional "knowledge – abilities (know-how) – skills" model, or KAS. However, the model description is not given briefly, for the programme as a whole, but for each structural element of the programme:

- knowledge
- abilities (know-how)
- skills

In standards, these KAS elements are grouped in cycles and other sections, which are slightly different for bachelor's and master's training programmes.

Table 3.6 – FSES cycles

Bachelor	Master
Cycle of Humanities, Social Studies and Economics	General Science cycle
Maths and Natural Science cycle	
Professional cycle	
Education and work practice	Practices and
	scientific research work
Final state examination	•

Each cycle has a basic part (defined by FSES) and a variable part (defined by the MEP). For each part, the following is defined:

- Amount of study, in credits (hours)
- list of KAS

- list of disciplines for development of approximate programmes, as well as textbooks and training materials
- codes of competencies to be formed

Unfortunately the codes of competencies and KAS are not explicitly related. They are presented in a format "many-to-many". The analysis of the FSES HE major group "Education and Pedagogy" is presented in Tables 3.7 and 3.8.

Table 3.7 – Comparative analysis of bachelor's KAS

FSES	Knowledge	Abilities	Skills	
FSES	(to know)	(to be able to)	(to have skills to)	
050100 - Peda-	• technologies of gath-	use modern infor-	skills to operate	
gogical educa-	ering, processing, and	mation and commu-	common and profes-	
tion	presentation of in-	nication technologies	sional software	
	formation	(including application	skills to use basic	
		packages, local net-	software for infor-	
		working, and Inter-	mation protection	
		net) for gathering,	<ul><li>organizational</li></ul>	
		processing, and anal-	measures and tech-	
		ysis of information	niques for anti-virus	
		assess software and	protection;	
		perspectives of its ap-		
		plication in the con-		
		text of reaching pro-		
		fessional goals		
050400 -		use modern infor-	use modern computer	
Psychological		mation technologies	and information tech-	

FSES	Knowledge	Abilities	Skills	
FSES	(to know)		(to have skills to)	
and pedagogical		in professional activi-	nologies	
education		ties		
050700 -	current state and	<ul><li>to assess software and</li></ul>	• use personal comput-	
Special (defec-	trends of software, in-	perspectives of its ap-	er as a user	
tological) edu-	formation technolo-	plication in the con-	• have a culture of log-	
cation	gies, and computer	text of reaching pro-	ic thinking, use ana-	
	systems development	fessional goals	lytical and synthetic	
	latest educational	■ use a computer, work	methods to process	
	technologies, includ-	with global and local	information, have	
	ing information and	search systems, and	skills to work with in-	
	communication tech-	with conventional in-	formation in global	
	nologies, as well as	formation carriers;	computer networks.	
	special audio-visual			
	technologies			
051000 - Pro-	No explicit requirement	nts, although "Informatics"	' is in the list of recom-	
fessional educa-	mended disciplines.			
tion (by branch-				
es)				

Table 3.8 – Comparative analysis of master's and specialist's KAS

FSES	Knowledge (to know)	Abilities (to be able to)	Skills (to have skills to)
050100 -	• principles of use	• integrate modern in-	gain professional

EGEG	Knowledge (to	Abilities (to be able	
FSES	know)	to)	Skills (to have skills to)
Pedagogical educa-	of modern infor-	formation technolo-	knowledge through the
tion	mation technolo-	gies into education-	use of original sources,
	gies in profession-	al activities	including electronic
	al activities		sources, in different
			languages, and from
			different areas of gen-
			eral and professional
			culture
050400 -			use modern computer
Psychological and			means and innovative
pedagogical educa-			technologies to organize
tion			professional activities,
			including information
			and network technolo-
			gies
050700 -	■ modern infor-	• work with various	• methods, techniques,
Special (defecto-	mation and com-	sources of infor-	and means of acquiring,
logical) education	munication tech-	mation	saving, and processing
	nologies	• use information and	information
		communication	
		technologies in pro-	
		fessional activities	
		• form information	

o) Skills (to have skills to)
lication pro- use methods of infor-
to solve pro- mation acquisition, sav-
al and sciening, and processing
pedagogical
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odern infor-
and com-
tion technol-
n profession-
educational
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ltimedia sys-
rarious work • computer processing of
with the help office documents, statis-
nputer tics, and business
al and global graphics; use of profes-
sional information
n in modern search, reference sys-
er environ- tems, and databases
<ul><li>ensure security and pro-</li></ul>
e a work sta- tection of information,
state secrets, and other

ECEC	Knowledge (to	Abilities (to be able	Chille (4e herre chille 4e )	
FSES	know)	to)	Skills (to have skills to)	
	tions, purpose, and	use methods and	proprietary information.	
	features of profes-	means to ensure in-		
	sional information	formation security		
	search engines and	• use the techniques		
	legal systems	and tools of infor-		
	■ modern computer			
	technologies used	prevent unauthor-		
	for professional			
	tasks performance	proper modifica-		
	<ul><li>methods and ways</li></ul>	tion, or loss of in-		
	of ensuring infor-			
	mation security in	ernmental secrets		
	professional activ-	and other proprie-		
	ities	tary information.		

# **Conclusions:**

The analysis of requirements of the structure of the FSES HE major group "Education and Pedagogy" in "knowledge-abilities-skills" (KAS) format shows that:

• the structure of requirements to KAS is not even, since it manifests itself differently in each FSES.

- in general, the requirements for skills and abilities prevail over those for knowledge, which emphasizes the application and service role of ICT competencies.
- despite the dominance of general cultural competencies, more attention in KAS is paid to professional aspects.
- the KAS matrix presented discloses only selected requirements, and is not systemic in nature as the UNESCO ICT-CFT is.

#### **Recommendations:**

It is recommended that the requirements of the MEP structure corresponding to FSES HE "Education and pedagogy" major group at all levels:

- include the six modules, presented in UNESCO ICT-CFT into the professional (general professional) cycle.
- indicate competencies indicators presented in the corresponding sections of UNESCO ICT-CFT for each level of MEP mastering (learning outcomes).

As the competencies and requirements are presented in the FSES and the UNESCO ICT-CFT in different formats, it is recommended that a comparison method be developed<sup>5</sup>.

It is also recommended that the corresponding amendments to university MEPs are made for the period of FSES validity.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The possible option for this method as well as regulating document could become a 'Typical Education programme' (<a href="http://it-claim.ru/top">http://it-claim.ru/top</a>)

Finally, it is recommended that the above mentioned amendments are also made on the federal universities standards, targeting them to the "Knowledge Creation" level of UNESCO ICT-CFT.

# 3.1.5 Analysis of the other FSES HE sections

Analysis of the other FSES HE sections revealed that paragraph 7.13 (section "Requirements to MEP implementation conditions") should be regarded in the research, as it says that university MEP should include laboratory courses and workshops on modern information technology.

**Table 3.9 – Requirements to the compulsory labs** 

FSES code	FSES	Paragraph 7.13
050100	Pedagogical education	Bachelor's university MEP should include laboratory works and practical training within the main disciplines (modules), which master students' skills and abilities in the sphere of information technologies.
050400	Psychological and pedagogical education	Bachelor's university MEP should include laboratory works and practical training within the Module 2: Practical training on modern information technologies.
050700	Special (defectological) education	Bachelor's university MEP should include laboratory works and practical training within the main disciplines (modules), which master students' skills and abilities in the sphere of information technolo-

		gies in special needs education.
051000	Professional education (by subject area)	Bachelor's university MEP should include laboratory works and practical training in the following disciplines: computer practical training

It is important to note that the amount of study required to master the competencies, knowledge, abilities, and skills indicated in the sections above is small. For instance, in a number of exemplary MEPs published, the amount of study was only 2 credits or 72 hours.

#### **Conclusions:**

The acquisition of practical skills in the use of ICT is a compulsory element of education programmes, but the limited amount of study proposed and the fact that there is no direct connection with the professional cycle are major drawbacks.

#### **Recommendations:**

It is recommended to estimate the study load for mastering UNESCO ICT-CFT competencies, calculate it in credits according to the national credit system, and recommend these figures as the basis for curricular development.

# 3.1.6 FSES correspondence to ICT-CFT

The comparative analysis of the FSES HE for correspondence to ICT-CFT levels is presented in Table 3.10.

**Table 3.10 – FSES Correspondence to ICT-CFT levels** 

FSES	rable 5:10 – FSLS correspondence to TeT-erT levels			
code	FSES	Level	ICT-CFT Module	Code
			Technology literacy:	
			■ ICT (Basic tools)	TL.3,
		Bachelor	Pedagogy (Integrate technology)	TL.2
050100	Pedagogical educa-		<ul> <li>Teacher professional learning</li> </ul>	TL.6
050100	tion		(Digital literacy)	
			Knowledge deepening, Knowledge	KD
		M	creation:	KC
		Master	<ul> <li>Correspondence to some indica-</li> </ul>	
			tors	
			Technology literacy:	
	Psychological and	Bachelor	■ ICT hard- and software (basic)	TL.3
050400	pedagogical educa-			
	tion		Technology literacy:	
		Master	■ ICT (Basic tools)	TL.3
			Pedagogy (Integrate technology)	TL.2
			Technology literacy:	
		Bachelor	■ ICT (Basic tools)	TL.3
050700	Special (defectologi-		■ Pedagogy (Integrate technology)	TL.2
	cal) education		Knowledge deepening, Knowledge	KD
		Master	creation:	KC

FSES code	FSES	Level	ICT-CFT Module	Code
		Bachelor	<ul> <li>No details</li> <li>Technology literacy:</li> <li>Teacher professional learning</li> <li>(Digital literacy)</li> </ul>	TL.6
			Technology literacy:	TL.3
051000	Professional education (by subject area)	Master	<ul> <li>ICT (Basic tools)</li> <li>Pedagogy (Integrate technology)</li> <li>Teacher professional learning         <ul> <li>(Digital literacy)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Knowledge deepening</li> <li>Complex tools</li> </ul>	TL.2 TL.6 KD.4
			Technology literacy:	TL.3
	Pedagogy and psy-		■ ICT (Basic tools)	TL.2
050407	chology of deviant	Specialist	Pedagogy (Integrate technology)	TL.6
	behaviour		<ul><li>Teacher professional learning</li><li>(Digital literacy)</li></ul>	

# 3.2 Analysis of teacher training programmes

#### 3.2.1 Initial data

Data from the APE programmes of the Federal State Autonomous Education Institution "Academy of Professional Development and Retraining of Education Professionals" (APDREP) was used as initial data.

**Table 3.11 – TABLE TITLE** 

No.	Course title and brief description	Target audience (pro- fessionals categories)	Amount of study, training format
	Methodology for the systemic use of multimedia	School principals and	144 hours;
	learning tools in the organization of the education	vice-principals, meth-	part-time
	process.	odologists, APE edu-	training
	The course is aimed at developing in teachers a	cation personnel	
	readiness to use multimedia learning tools in their		
	professional subject area, to use basic Internet		
	services and software systems in professional ac-		
	tivities, and to organize the education process		
	with the use of modern multimedia tools.		
	Methodology for the use of information and	School principals and	144 hours;
	communication technology in primary school in	vice-principals, meth-	part-time
	conditions of adoption of Federal state education	odologists, APE edu-	training
	standard of primary education.	cation personnel	
	The course is aimed at developing a readiness in		
	education managers, education primary school		
	specialists, and teachers to integrate educational		
	ICT tools and resources into their pedagogical		
	practice in line with FSES of primary education.		
	Methodology for the use and incorporation of	School principals and	72 hours; in-
	multimedia learning tools into the education pro-	vice-principals, meth-	service train-
	cess in light of the transition to the new education	odologists, APE edu-	ing
	standards.	cation personnel	

No.	Course title and brief description	Target audience (pro- fessionals categories)	Amount of study, training format
	The course is aimed at acquisition of knowledge		
	on the use of multimedia learning tools in the ed-		
	ucation process on the basis of new education		
	standards.		
	Computer threats: detection and analysis	Managers and special-	72 hours; in-
	The course is aimed at developing professional	ists of education man-	service train-
	competency, skills, and abilities for understanding	agement departments	ing
	the security principles of computer use and net-	and education institu-	
	working.	tions	
	The use of innovative learning tools in the school	School principals and	72 hours; in-
	education process.	vice-principals, meth-	service train-
	The course is aimed at acquisition of knowledge	odologists, APE edu-	ing
	on the use of multimedia learning tools in the ed-	cation personnel	
	ucation process on the basis of new education		
	standards. Methodological features of multimedia		
	learning tools will be regarded for the organiza-		
	tion of the education process in accordance with		
	reproductive learning technology and activity-		
	based approach.		
	Computer and Internet security	HE, SVE, and APE	72 hours; in-
	The course is aimed at developing behavioural	education personnel	service train-
	skills in information society to ensure security of		ing
	information. It develops design of secure infor-		

No.	Course title and brief description	Target audience (pro- fessionals categories)	Amount of study, training format
	mation environment skills for higher education		
	institutions in the psychological, pedagogical, and		
	health areas, conserving support of the education		
	process, ensuring protection of students and edu-		
	cators, and using personal computers and Internet		
	in professional, educational and extra-curriculum		
	work.		
	Methodology of the use of electronic educational	HE and SVE education	144 hours;
	resources (EER) of new generation in conditions	personnel	part-time
	of FSES implementation		training
	The course is aimed at studying pedagogical as-		
	pects of ICT and EER use for teaching and learn-		
	ing, with the objective of eliminating the gap be-		
	tween potential ICT and ERR capabilities and		
	those used in practice.		
	The new model of ICT and EER as an instrument		
	of activity-based approach is introduced. This in-		
	volves the development and testing of a pedagog-		
	ically appropriate and methodologically justified		
	use of ICT and EER – as a means to raise cogni-		
	tive motivation of students, as the instrument of		
	forming students' ability to solve new range of		

No.	Course title and brief description	Target audience (pro- fessionals categories)	Amount of study, training format
	educational and practical tasks, and as a tool of		
	modern learning.		
	Methodology of the use and incorporation into	School principals and	72 hours; in-
	education process of multimedia learning tools in	vice-principals, meth-	service train-
	light of the transfer to the new education stand-	odologists, APE edu-	ing
	ards	cation personnel	
	The course is aimed at acquisition of knowledge		
	on the use of multimedia learning tools in the ed-		
	ucation process on the basis of new education		
	standards.		
	Teaching methodology of algorithmization and	HE and SVE education	72 hours; in-
	programming in C++ to solve problem tasks.	personnel	service train-
	The course regards methodological and practical		ing
	issues of applied problem solving using C++ lan-		
	guage by means of Turbo Pascal language and in		
	Delphi visual programming environment.		
	Provides training to master the techniques for		
	solving typical, untypical, and challenging appli-		
	cation problems, and develops the ability to use		
	the capabilities of programming environments in		
	teaching.		
	Development of web resources using the technol-	Education personnel of	72 hours; in-
	ogy of web site design in Content Management	pedagogical institu-	service train-

No.	Course title and brief description	Target audience (pro- fessionals categories)	Amount of study, training format
	System (CMS).	tions, SVE institutions,	ing
	Teacher training and professional development is	education managers	
	connected with the increased needs of education		
	institutions to expand their activities on the Inter-		
	net, using information and communication tech-		
	nologies.		
	Web resources development through the use of	Education personnel of	72 hours; in-
	Content Management System's website builder.	pedagogical institu-	service train-
	Teacher training and professional development is	tions, SVE institutions	ing
	connected with the increased needs of education		
	institutions to expand their activities on the Inter-		
	net, using information and communication tech-		
	nologies.		
	The use of information and communication tech-	School principals and	144 hours;
	nologies in the management of education institu-	vice-principals, APE	part-time
	tions.	education personnel	training
	The course provides professional development		
	aimed at mastering professional competencies for		
	the management of modern education institutions,		
	using information and communication technolo-		
	gies. Contains the training on education process		
	planning on the basis of multimedia learning tools		
	application. Practical work is based on the multi-		

No.	Course title and brief description	Target audience (pro- fessionals categories)	Amount of study, training format
	media learning products of the "Prosveshchenie		
	media" company.		
	Professional development in the area of ICTs.	Education personnel of	72 hours; in-
	The course is aimed at forming and developing	pedagogical institu-	service train-
	ICT competencies in educators. It should prepare	tions, education man-	ing
	them to form in future teachers a system of	agers and personnel of	
	knowledge, abilities, and skills in the area of ICT	methodological centres	
	use in teaching and learning, which constitutes		
	the basis for forming the competencies in ICT use		
	in education process		
	Practical course on the use of MS EXCEL 2007	School principals and	144 hours;
	in pedagogical research.	vice-principals, in-	part-time
	The course of professional development of educa-	structors, APE educa-	training
	tion personnel to develop skills MS Excel 2007	tion personnel	
	use for table and graphic presentation of research		
	results, creation of reports, etc.		
	Professional development in the area of ICTs.	School principals and	144 hours;
	The course is aimed at forming and development	vice-principals, in-	part-time
	of ICT competencies of educators. It should pre-	structors, APE educa-	training
	pare them to form in future teachers a system of	tion personnel, Educa-	
	knowledge, abilities and skills in the area of ICT	tion personnel of ped-	
	use in teaching and learning, which constitutes	agogical institutions	
	the basis for forming the competencies in ICT use	and methodological	

No.	Course title and brief description	Target audience (pro- fessionals categories)	Amount of study, training format
	in education process.	centres	
	Methodology of the use and incorporation of mul-	HE, VET and APE ed-	144 hours;
	timedia learning tools into the education process	ucation personnel	part-time
	in the light of transfer to new education standards.		training
	The course is aimed at obtaining knowledge		
	through the use of multimedia learning tools in		
	the education process on the basis of new educa-		
	tion standards.		

# 3.2.2 Correspondence of teacher training programmes to UNESCO ICT-CFT

The assessment of correspondence of the programmes to UNESCO ICT-CFT was carried out on the basis of annotations to the training courses, their target audience, and amount of study and detailed descriptions. Courses with duplicated content were excluded from the analysis.

**Table 3.12 – TABLE TITLE** 

systemic use of multimedia learning tools in the organization of the education process  TL.2  TL.3  TL.4	No.	Course title	ICT-CFT Module	Codes
knowledge)  Pedagogy (Integrate technology)  ICT (Basic tools)  Organization and administration (Stand-	1	systemic use of multimedia	<ul> <li>Understanding ICT in education (Policy awareness)</li> <li>Curriculum and assessment (Basic knowledge)</li> <li>Pedagogy (Integrate technology)</li> <li>ICT (Basic tools)</li> </ul>	TL.1 TL.2 TL.3 TL.4 TL.5

No.	Course title	ICT-CFT Module	Codes
2	Methodology for the use of information and communication technology in primary schools in conditions of adoption of Federal state education standards of primary education.	<ul> <li>Technology literacy:</li> <li>Understanding ICT in education (Policy awareness)</li> <li>Curriculum and assessment (Basic knowledge)</li> <li>Pedagogy (Integrate technology)</li> <li>ICT (Basic tools)</li> <li>Organization and administration (Standard classroom)</li> </ul>	TL.1 TL.2 TL.3 TL.4 TL.5
3	Methodology for the use and incorporation of multimedia learning tools into education process in light of the transition to the new education standards	<ul> <li>Knowledge deepening:</li> <li>Pedagogy (Complex problem solving)</li> <li>ICT (Complex tools)</li> <li>Organization and administration (Collaborative groups)</li> </ul>	KD.3 KD.4 KD.5
4	Computer threats: detection and analysis <sup>6</sup>	Technology literacy:  • Teacher professional learning (Digital literacy)	TL.6c
5	The use of innovative learning tools in school education process	No detailed information	?TL
6	Computer and Internet security	Technology literacy:  • Teacher professional learning (Digital literacy)	TL.6c
7	Methodology for the use of electronic educational re- sources (EER) of new genera- tion in conditions of FSES implementation	Technology literacy:  • Pedagogy (Integrate technology)	TL.3
8	Teaching methodology of algorithmization and programming in C++ to solve problem tasks	Technology literacy:  • Pedagogy (Integrate technology)	TL.3
9	Development of web resources using the technology of web site design in Content Management System (CMS)	Knowledge deepening:  ICT (Complex tools)	KD.3

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The programme is implemented in cooperation with Kaspersky Lab

No.	Course title	ICT-CFT Module	Codes
10	Use of information and communication technologies in the management of education institutions.	<ul> <li>Technology literacy:</li> <li>Understanding ICT in education (Policy awareness)</li> <li>Curriculum and assessment (Basic knowledge)</li> <li>Pedagogy (Integrate technology)</li> <li>ICT (Basic tools)</li> <li>Organization and administration (Standard classroom)</li> </ul>	TL.1 TL.2 TL.3 TL.4 TL.5
11	Practical course on the use of MS EXCEL 2007 in pedagogical research	Technology literacy:  Pedagogy (Integrate technology)  ICT (Basic tools)	TL.3 TL.4

#### **Conclusions:**

A large number of teacher training programmes are widely represented and available in the market, aimed to develop competencies corresponding the "Technology literacy" (TL) level of UNESCO ICT-CFT.

However, complete compliance is questionable, since most of the programmes only to some extent, but not fully comply with UNESCO ICT-CFT indicators.

#### **Recommendations:**

It is recommended to develop new specialized teacher training programmes that cover the whole matrix of UNESCO ICT-CFT modules and indicators, or to conduct a detailed analysis of the existing programmes and their specifications from the UNESCO ICT-CFT prospect.

It is also recommended to develop additional teacher training programmes aimed at mastering KD and KC level competencies, since there is a lack of such programmes at present.

# 3.3 Training programmes of ICT vendors

## 3.3.1 Initial data

The initial data was comprised of materials freely available at education sections of IT vendors' official websites and other reliable sources.

**Table 3.13 – Intel educational initiatives** 

No.	Programme/course title	Target audience	Dura- tion	Format: classroom / distance	Comments
	Intel® Teach to the Future	Schools		uistance	848,255 people trained in Rus- sia since 2002
1.	Project-based activity on information educational environment of 21st century	School teachers	36 72/12	Class- room/mixed mode	EMA Study guide
2.	Introduction to information and educational technologies of the 21st century	School teachers	24	Classroom	
3.	ICT: development strategy of an education institution	School principals	8	Classroom	ISTE standards and web 2.0 technologies are taught
4.	<ul> <li>Distance workshops:</li> <li>Assessment in education: from evaluation for control to evaluation for development</li> <li>Web 2.0 Joint Band: Network collaboration tools</li> <li>Web 2.0 services (with additional workshops on Google Wave, Dabbleboard, Prezi, knowledge maps, and video services)</li> <li>Technological methods of enhancing cognitive activity</li> <li>Design of learning situations in line with new federal state education standards (FSES)</li> </ul>	School teachers		Distance, guided	
5.	<ul> <li>Intel® Teach Elements series:</li> <li>Project-based approaches</li> <li>Assessment in 21<sup>st</sup> century classroom</li> </ul>	School teachers	10–14 12–16 10–14	Distance, self-training	

No.	Programme/course title	Target audience	Dura- tion	Format: classroom / distance	Comments
	<ul> <li>Collaboration in the digital class- room</li> </ul>				
6.	<ul> <li>Optional courses and trainings</li> <li>Learn to think together</li> <li>School students - researchers</li> <li>Web 2.0 network</li> <li>Managerial project in education</li> <li>'1 student - 1 computer' education environment</li> </ul>	School teachers and prin- cipals	8–24	Classroom	
	Intel® Learn Programme	Schools			Over 150 000 people trained since 2005
7.	Technology and Community	2–7 grades			
8.	Technology at Work	5–9 grades			
9.	Technology and Entrepreneurship	8–11 grades			
10.	Intel Multi-core Curriculum Initiative	HE institu- tions			Resources in English
11.	Innovation and entrepreneurship in high technology: from theory to practice	HE institu-			
12.	Intel student labs	HE institu- tions			Limited number of universities
13.	Intel ISEF Educator Academy	Math and Natural Sciences teachers			Small number of trainees

**Table 3.14 – Microsoft educational initiatives** 

No.	Programme/course title	Target audi-	Duration	Format:	Comments
		ence		classroom	
				/ distance	
	Microsoft Partners in				
	Learning	Schools			
	8				
1	System of continuous self-	School teach-			Developed in line
1.	defined professional devel-			Distance	with UNESCO
	opment of educators	ers			ICT-CFT; on-

					going pilot project in Russia
2.	Microsoft Academy for Teacher Training	School teach- ers	72	Classroom	Partners: National Training Foundation, APDREP. 47000 teachers have raised their level of ICT competence
3.	'Innovative Teachers Net- work' portal	School teach- ers		Distance	Many case studies of ICT-CFT TL- KC levels
4.	Microsoft Partners in Learning School Research to measure 21st Century teaching and learning skills	School administration			A methodology and criteria are developed, which can be used for comparison with ICT-CFT
5.	Microsoft IT Academy Programme	HE and SVE educators		Classroom, distance	Many training courses in distance and classroom format

Table 3.15 – Kaspersky Lab educational initiatives

No.	Programme/course title	Target audi-	Duration	Format:	Comments
		ence		classroom	
				/ distance	
1.	Computer threats: detection and analysis methods	School and university teachers	72 hours	Classroom, distance	Classroom training. Diploma is awarded upon a completion. Organized in coop-
					eration with AP-DREP.
2.	Information security days	School and university students	2–3 hours	Classroom	
3.	Webinars on various themes	School and university students	8+ hours	Distance	

## 3.3.2 Results of comparison with UNESCO ICT-CFT

Each programme was defined by type according to the classification presented in Chapter 1:

- V<sub>1</sub>: basic computer literacy and technological competency courses for educators, as well as advanced courses on the use of ICTs in education;
   e.g., Intel® Teach to the Future Programme
- V<sub>2</sub>: training courses for schools/universities delivered in the "academic mode" during the semester; e.g., Cisco Networking Academy courses
- V<sub>3</sub>: specialized trainings, training courses, and certification programmes for trainers of training centres; e.g., Microsoft Certified Trainer (MCT) programme
- V<sub>4</sub>: education methodological complexes to support technological training courses and designed for students of training centres

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- $V_6$ : specialized courses for the heads of education institutions

**Table 3.16 – Intel educational initiatives** 

No.	Programme/course title		ICT-CFT
	Intel® Teach to the Future		
1.	Project-based activity on information educational environment of 21st century	$\mathbf{V}_1$	KD
2.	Introduction to information and educational technologies of the 21st century	$\mathbf{V}_1$	TL
3.	ICT: development strategy of an education institution	$\mathbf{V}_{6}$	TL-KD
4.	<ul> <li>Distance workshops:</li> <li>Assessment in education: from evaluation for control to evaluation for development</li> <li>Web 2.0 Joint Band: Network collaboration tools</li> <li>Web 2.0 services (with additional workshops on Google Wave, Dabbleboard, Prezi, knowledge maps, and video services)</li> <li>Technological methods of enhancing cognitive activity</li> <li>Design of learning situations in line with new federal state education standards (FSES)</li> </ul>	$V_1$	KD
5.	<ul> <li>Intel® Teach Elements series:</li> <li>Project-based approaches</li> <li>•Assessment in 21<sup>st</sup> century classroom</li> <li>Collaboration in the digital classroom</li> </ul>	$V_1$	KD
6.	<ul> <li>Optional courses and trainings</li> <li>Learn to think together</li> <li>School students - researchers</li> <li>Web 2.0 network</li> <li>Managerial project in education</li> <li>'1 student - 1 computer' education environment</li> </ul>	$V_1$	KD-KC
	Intel® Learn Programme		
7.	Technology and Community	$\mathbf{V}_2$	-

No.	Programme/course title	Type	ICT-CFT
8.	Technology at Work	$\mathbf{V}_2$	-
9.	Technology and Entrepreneurship	$\mathbf{V}_2$	-
10.	Intel Multi-core Curriculum Initiative Programme	$\mathbf{V}_2$	
11.	Innovation and entrepreneurship in high technology: from theory to practice	$\mathbf{V}_2$	KC
12.	Intel student labs	-	KC
13.	Intel ISEF Educator Academy	$\mathbf{V}_2$	KD-KC

Table 3.17 – Microsoft educational initiatives

No.	Programme/course title	Type	ICT-CFT
	Microsoft Partners in Learning		
1.	System of continuous self-defined professional development of educators	$\mathbf{V_1}$	TL.1 - TL.6
2.	Microsoft Academy for Teacher Training Programme	$V_1$	TL.3
3.	'Innovative Teachers Network' portal	$\mathbf{V_1}$	KD-KC
4.	Microsoft IT Academy Programme	$V_2 - V_5$	TL.4

Table 3.18 – Kaspersky Lab educational initiatives

No.	Programme/course title	Type	ICT-CFT
1.	Computer threats: detection and analysis methods	$\mathbf{V}_1$	TL.6c
2.	Information security days	$\mathbf{V}_1$	TL.6c
3.	Webinars on various themes	$\mathbf{V}_1$	TL.6c

Table 3.19 – Training seminars of interactive technologies providers

	Polymedia Club seminars:  ■ Introduction to SMART Notebook: (level I and II)		
1.	<ul> <li>SMART Certified Interactive Teacher</li> <li>SMART Certified Lesson Developer for primary teachers</li> <li>Advanced SMART Notebook course for tutors</li> <li>Introduction to SMART Response</li> <li>Introduction to SMART Sync</li> <li>The use of SANAKO Study 1200 software complex in teaching and learning foreign languages</li> <li>SMART Notebook Training distance course for tutors</li> <li>First steps in flash technologies. Creating multi-page flashapplication in Adobe Flash</li> </ul>	$\mathbf{V_{1}},$ $\mathbf{V_{5}}$	TL.3 TL.5 KD.4c
2.	Panasonic Academy for teachers	$egin{array}{c} V_1 \ V_5 \end{array}$	TL.3 – TL.5
3.	Seminars/webinars on the use of ActivInspire	V <sub>1</sub> V <sub>5</sub>	TL.3 – TL.5 KD.4c
4.	RENE courses:  New Information Technologies (the use of interactive boards)  Mobile interactive complexes in school education  VOTUM seminars	V <sub>1</sub> V <sub>5</sub>	TL.3 – TL.5

**Table 3.20 – Technological courses of ICT vendors** 

Programme/course title	Type	ICT-CFT
Cisco Networking Academy courses:		
■ IT Essentials: PC Hardware and Software	W	TL.3
<ul> <li>Introduction of network technologies</li> </ul>	<b>V</b> 2	TL.4
<ul> <li>Design and technical support of computer networks</li> </ul>		
EMC Academic Alliance courses:		
<ul> <li>Information storage and management</li> </ul>		TT. 2
<ul> <li>Cloud infrastructure and services</li> </ul>	$\mathbf{V_2}$	TL.3
■ Big Data Analytics		TL.4
■ Backup Recovery Systems and Architecture		
Adobe courses:		
<ul> <li>Digital design: Basics of web-design with Adobe tools</li> </ul>		
■ Digital video. Basics of video capturing, editing, and produc-	$\mathbf{V_2}$	TL.3
tion with Adobe tools		TL.4
<ul> <li>Visual design: Graphic design and pre-press with Adobe.</li> </ul>		
Tasknalagical assurance of other ICT war days	<b>T</b> 7	TL.3
rechnological courses of other ICT vendors	V <sub>2</sub>	TL.4
	<ul> <li>Cisco Networking Academy courses:</li> <li>IT Essentials: PC Hardware and Software</li> <li>Introduction of network technologies</li> <li>Design and technical support of computer networks</li> <li>EMC Academic Alliance courses:</li> <li>Information storage and management</li> <li>Cloud infrastructure and services</li> <li>Big Data Analytics</li> <li>Backup Recovery Systems and Architecture</li> <li>Adobe courses:</li> <li>Digital design: Basics of web-design with Adobe tools</li> <li>Digital video. Basics of video capturing, editing, and production with Adobe tools</li> </ul>	Cisco Networking Academy courses:  IT Essentials: PC Hardware and Software  Introduction of network technologies  Design and technical support of computer networks  EMC Academic Alliance courses:  Information storage and management  Cloud infrastructure and services  Big Data Analytics  Backup Recovery Systems and Architecture  Adobe courses:  Digital design: Basics of web-design with Adobe tools  Digital video. Basics of video capturing, editing, and production with Adobe tools  Visual design: Graphic design and pre-press with Adobe.

## **Conclusions:**

ICT vendors offer technology courses and programmes that develop applied competencies of teachers.

However, a number of big ICT vendors (Intel, Microsoft, Kaspersky Lab) implement teacher training programmes on basic computer literacy and development of 21st century skills.

Some of the courses, programmes, and projects help to develop competencies related to higher levels (KD and KC) of the UNESCO ICT-CFT, but in general they are not popular (especially for KC level).

Vendors producing and delivering interactive equipment promote the development of advanced ICT competencies in ICT-rich education environment, but the training they offer is too utilitarian and is not of a systemic character. Therefore, these programmes can hardly cover the ICT-CFT modules.

## **Recommendations:**

It is recommended that ICT vendors implementing teacher training develop training modules or special courses aimed at the development of ICT competencies described in the UNESCO ICT-CFT.

It is recommended that, when determining conditions for the implementation of training programs by certified trainers, compliance with the UNESCO ICT-CFT is taken into account.

It is recommended that programmes with educational content referring to higher levels of ICT-CFT («Knowledge Deepening" and "Knowledge Creation") be developed or localized. Additionally, using the recommended educational technologies, a collection of cases must be created.

#### CONCLUSION

The research presented in this document:

- reviewed and classified teacher training programmes
- developed a comparison method of training programmes, and suggested comparative criteria and a model of comparative tables
- conducted assessment of training programmes for compliance with the UNESCO ICT-CFT recommendations.
- Suggested approaches for the improvement of the training programmes to meet the requirements of the UNESCO ICT-CFT.

In the analysis of the training programmes for compliance with the UNESCO ICT-CFT, this report formulated local proposals (see Chapter 3), which are summarized below.

For the FSES HE "Education and Pedagogy" major group (050000), the recommendations are as follows:

- 1. *in the characteristics of professional activities* for each level and each type of professional activity, the goals of ICT use should be indicated explicitly
- 2. in the requirements to MEP mastering:
  - a. a requirement to acquire professional ICT competencies should be included, in accordance with UNESCO ICT-CFT international recommendations.

- b. the required mastering level (learning outcome) of corresponding competencies should be indicated as follows:
  - o for bachelor's programmes, «Knowledge deepening» (KD);
  - o for specialist's and master's programmes, «Knowledge creation» (KC).
- 3. *in the requirements to MEP structure:* 
  - a. the six UNESCO ICT-CFT modules should be included into the professional (general professional) cycle.
  - b. the competencies indicators presented in the corresponding sections of UNESCO ICT-CFT should be included for each level of MEP mastering (learning outcome)
- 4. corresponding amendments to university MEPs should be made for the period of FSES validity.
- 5. the above-mentioned amendments should be made to the federal universities standards, targeting them at the "Knowledge Creation" level of UNESCO ICT-CFT.

To compare FSES requirements with UNESCO ICT-CFT provisions, this report recommends:

 developing a comparison method that takes into account the different formats of competencies and requirements in FSES and UNESCO ICT-CFT

- 2. estimating the study load for mastering UNESCO ICT-CFT competencies and calculate it in credits according to the national credit system
- 3. using these figures as the basis for curricular development.

For developers and providers of additional professional education programmes, this report recommends:

- developing new specialized teacher training programmes that embrace all UNESCO ICT-CFT modules and indicators
- 2. conducting a detailed analysis of the existing programmes and their specifications from the UNESCO ICT-CFT point of view
- developing new teacher training programmes that master KD and KC levels competencies, since there is a lack of such programmes at present time

For ICT vendors, this report recommends:

- 1. developing training modules or special courses aimed at the development of teacher ICT competencies described in the UNESCO ICT-CFT.
- 2. using the ICT competencies indicated in ICT-CFT to define the implementation conditions of training programmes by certified trainers
- **3.** targeting the process of developing or localizing educational content to higher levels of ICT-CFT («Knowledge Deepening" and "Knowledge Creation"), creating special cases, and using the recommended education technologies

Attachment 1. Example of teacher training course assessment conducted by the author of the course for compliance with UNESCO ICT-CFT

#### Professional training short course for English teachers

Theme: "The use of information technologies and Internet tools in teaching English"

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#### **Relevance of the Training Programme**

This integrated course is proposed to raise the professional competency of teachers for a personality-oriented, activity-based, and competence-based approach to modern education. The changes in teaching and learning today create the need for a renovation of educational content and technologies. Currently, e-learning is the most effective form of learning, especially in the sphere of teacher training and development, and it has legal basis in Russia. Development of distance learning is one of the priorities of education.

The increasing complexity and dynamic change of the modern world, the emergence of a global information infrastructure, globalization, the "information boom" — all of these factors, together, call for a qualitative innovation-driven change in the paradigm of education implementation, especially in the field of professional development.

#### **Novelty of the Training Programme**

The presented course programme is aimed at implementation of innovative research and development on the problems of Moscow education, which includes:

- development and testing of new education technologies, using models of integrated
  education within the system of professional development and retraining of teachers,
  namely, i) distance learning (DL), and ii) practical application and testing of new
  technologies in resource centres of CNYAO MIOO.
- creation of new models of educational content in a system of professional development and of retraining of teachers using the model of integrative learning, which enables teachers to obtain modern knowledge and master the necessary skills for design and use of information educational environment.

#### **Subject of Learning**

The rapid development of scientific and technological progress opens up wide possibilities for penetration of new information technologies into the education space, which, in turn, leads to changes in education market demands.

Knowledge and skills in information and communication technologies should be used as effective tools to improve the teaching of subjects and courses. The main learning objective for the course is to develop in students the readiness and ability to use new information, communication, and education technologies in their professional activities, develop skills of independent projecting, and development of the education process with the use of ICTs. The training's approach is that that information and pedagogical support is not limited to raising computer literacy, basic ICT skills, and perception of existing software, but implies acquisition of abilities and skills to apply of the technologies learnt.

#### Knowledge, skills and abilities acquired during the course:

Upon the completion of the course, students should **acquire the knowledge** on:

- features of the use of modern information and communication technologies
- specifics of teaching activities on the Internet
- organization of a virtual learning environment

Upon the completion of the course, students should also acquire skills and abilities to:

- use ICT and Internet tools to organize the teaching process
- plan and design pedagogical situations with the help of modern technologies
- create and work in a virtual learning environment

#### **Conceptual Idea of the Training Programme**

The use of "blended learning" technology in this course is a new form of training, since at present there are only face-to-face and distance forms of training. Integrated education is a system that combines all the benefits of these two forms, where the face-to-face and distance components interact harmoniously. Thus, the model of "blended learning" is a single, coherent, modern, and efficient learning process.

#### Aims and Goals of the Training Programme

Aim: to form students' information competency and to teach effective ICT use in professional activities.

**Goals:** to form the idea of possible use of computer technologies in the education process and of teaching activities on the Internet; to develop ability to use ICTs; to master skills of using modern software.

# **Target Audience of the Training Course.**

The course is designed for teachers of English, using a competency-based approach in education.

The UNESCO ICT-CFT document describes a module principle of teacher training course design. The presented course implements all the three competency-oriented approaches.

### First aspect: Technology Literacy

The aim of the course is to train teachers to be able to use ICT in education process both in the classroom and outside the classroom through students' extra-curriculum independent work. Other objectives of the course are: to provide education services to a greater number of teachers, to provide all citizens access to high-quality education resources, and to raise teachers' literacy, including computer literacy.

The course implements the following modules of the first aspect:

MODULES	TEACHER COMPETENCIES
MODULE 1	Teachers develop knowledge education policy and an understand-
UNDERSTANDING ICT	ing of why pedagogical practices learnt correspond to this policy,
IN EDUCATION	and implement it.
MODULE 2	Teachers study education standards and requirements to assess-
CURRICULUM AND	ment of education results in their subject area. In addition, the
ASSESSMENT	training course forms the ability to integrate ICT tools in profes-
	sional activities.
MODULE 3	Teachers study and acquire analytical and practical skills of rea-

PEDAGOGY	sonable use of ICT in educational activity at different stages of the
	education process.
MODULE 4	Teachers master basic techniques of using software, which in-
ICT	creases the effectiveness of learning and developing skills of com-
	puter communication. The themes learnt are:
	Internet. Internet services. Search and publication of in-
	formation on the Internet.
	Network technologies. Main trends in the development and
	application of ICTs in teaching English.
	Didactics of creation and use of learning tools designed on
	the basis of ICTs.
	Technologies of computer testing, processing and interpre-
	tation of test results. Distance education technologies. Spe-
	cialized Internet sites as the instrument of methodological
	support of the education process.
MODULE 4	Teachers learn software, raising learning efficiency and teaching
ICT	productivity, as well as acquire practical skills to use them.
MODULE 5	Teachers acquire skills to organize and use various teaching
ORGANIZATION AND	methods using ICT; e.g., using ICT to work with the whole class, in
ADMINISTRATION	small groups, and building students' individual learning path.
MODULE 6	Teachers acquire the ability to use ICT, get acquainted with web
TEACHER PROFES-	resources and collections of digital education resources for teach-
SIONAL LEARNING	ing English, and acquire skills to choose additional training mate-
	rials to use in the education process and their further professional

development.

# Second aspect: Knowledge deepening

The strategic goal of this aspect is to raise education effectiveness, forming the ability of students to apply the knowledge obtained in school to solve complex problems encountered in the real world.

MODULES	TEACHER COMPETENCIES
MODULE 1	Teachers acquire abilities to develop, modify, and implement
UNDERSTANDING ICT	pedagogical practices that support the education policies and so-
IN EDUCATION	cial priorities.
MODULE 2	Teachers improve their subject area knowledge and develop the
CURRICULUM AND AS-	ability to flexibly apply this knowledge in a variety of situations.
SESSMENT	The course provides teachers with the ability to formulate com-
	plex problems of students' language competencies development,
	which allows to evaluate the importance and value of mastering a
	foreign language in modern world.
	The course provides teachers with the ability to find the most ef-
	fective and up-to-date instruments for the development of stu-
	dents' speaking skills and competencies by means of ICT, espe-
	cially in regards to forming socio-cultural competency, collabora-
	tive working skills, and using ICTs as an instrument of communi-
	cation and self-education.
MODULE 3	Teachers are taught to work using innovative methods, which

PEDAGOGY	change the teacher's role from knowledge transfer to learning
	supervision when students are taught to search, evaluate, and
	process information on their own. Education in this approach is
	personality-oriented. The teacher guides the work of students to
	deep exploration of the material and supports collaborative
	learning projects, helping students to develop, implement, and
	monitor implementation plans and obtained results of training
	projects.
	Teachers acquire the ability to use assessment methods as basic
	tools to guide their work.
MODULE 4	Teachers explore various ICT and Internet resources and tools;
ICT	they acquire practical skills for their integration into the educa-
	tion process.
MODULE 5	Teachers are trained to create a flexible learning environment in
ORGANIZATION AND	and outside of the classroom aimed at personality-oriented
ADMINISTRATION	teaching.
	Theachers are trained to use ICT tools for organization of student
	collaboration and for communication with the students' parents.
MODULE 6	Teachers acquire practical skills for collaboration with other
TEACHER PROFES-	teachers and use of professional computer network communities
SIONAL LEARNING	to acquire information, communicate with colleagues and exter-
	nal experts, as well as to pursue their own professional develop-
	ment.

# Third aspect: Knowledge creation

The strategic goal of this approach is to increase productivity by creating a workforce that is continually engaged in, and benefits from, knowledge creation and social, economic, and cultural development of the country.

MODULES	TEACHER COMPETENCIES
MODULE 2	Teachers learn about the complex nature of human development,
CURRICULUM AND AS-	including cognitive, psychological, emotional, and physical devel-
SESSMENT	opment of students. Teachers learn to analyse conditions in
	which students learn better. Teachers develop their ability to
	build student's necessary skills to live in information society,
	such as:
	problem solving
	ICT-supported communication
	collaborative work
	critical thinking
MODULE 3	Learning to work with the use of ICTs, the teacher acquires the
PEDAGOGY	ability to demonstrate modern and effective teaching and learn-
	ing methods, and to create educational situations in which stu-
	dents can use their evolving abilities.
MODULE 4	Teachers are trained to work in an ICT-rich environment and use
ICT	ICTs for the development of students' skills to create knowledge.
	They teach students to create and to use personal education

	space using ICT and Internet tools for self-learning and mastering
	lifelong learning skills.
MODULE 6	Teachers are trained to use ICT and professional learning com-
TEACHER PROFES-	munities aimed at obtaining new knowledge through Internet re-
SIONAL LEARNING	sources and collections of electronic educational resources,
	methods of work in a virtual education environment. They learn
	to create a customized learning environment and learn tech-
	niques to work in it.

Thus, the course Programme "The use of information and communication technologies and Internet tools in teaching English" meets the UNESCO ICT-CFT requirements. The course objectives are formulated in such a way that they can be solved in the course of professional teacher development and, at the same time, they are directly related to the teachers' everyday professional tasks. The blended format of training allows teachers to master the studied methods in practice.