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**Announcement**

Latest updates on the ICT in Education website

**News & Events**

**UNESCO Prepares to Launch New ICT Teacher Training Project**
In the context of UNESCO objectives to mainstream ICT into education and thereby empower teachers and students, UNESCO is about to launch the “Next Generation of Teachers” (NET) Project, a new initiative designed to assist Teacher Education Institutions (TEIs) to prepare the next generation of teachers to judiciously use technologies for teaching and learning. The first organization to pledge support for the project so far is Microsoft, which is making a generous commitment through their Partners in Learning (PiL) programme.
http://www2.unescobkk.org/education/ict/v2_2/detail.asp?id=18839

**Bangalore Chosen as India Headquarters for UN Technology in Education Initiative**
India’s Silicon Valley, Bangalore, has been chosen as the India headquarters for the United Nations “Global e-school and Communities Initiative” (Gesci), a special campaign to promote the use of technology in education.
http://www2.unescobkk.org/education/ict/v2_2/detail.asp?id=18845

**Philippines Forum Aims to Assist Educators in Preparing an ICT-skilled Workforce**
The Philippines Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) is making preparations for a forum on ICT in Education, with the aim of assisting the academic sector in developing ICT-based training and education courses or modules which will enable people to meet future workforce requirements.
http://www2.unescobkk.org/education/ict/v2_2/detail.asp?id=18851

**Schools in the Republic of Korea to Work on Open Source Platform**
The Government of the Republic of Korea has announced its “New Education Information System” project which will introduce a locally-developed open source platform in 10,000 schools across the country.
http://www2.unescobkk.org/education/ict/v2_2/detail.asp?id=18857

**Programmes & Projects**

**Computer Literacy Project Launched in Remote Area of Himachal Pradesh**
The Government of Himachal Pradesh state, India, has launched the first phase of a project to develop computer literacy among students in remote government schools.
http://www2.unescobkk.org/education/ict/v2_2/detail.asp?id=18863

**“National Alliance” Group Set to Establish a Network of ICT Kiosks across India**
As part of a strategy of encouraging ICT-led development in rural India, the National Alliance group is preparing to establish a network of knowledge centres (information kiosks) in 600,000 villages across India by August 2007.
http://www2.unescobkk.org/education/ict/v2_2/detail.asp?id=18870
Resources

**UNESCO Unveils Draft Regional Guidelines on ICT Integration in Teacher Training**
Following a series of workshops, UNESCO has produced a set of draft guidelines for pedagogy-technology integration in the professional development of teachers. Entitled Regional Guidelines on Teacher Development for Pedagogy-Technology Integration, the publication highlights the various issues and strategies related to ICT integration in teaching and learning. [http://www2.unescobkk.org/education/ict/v2_2/detail.asp?id=18877](http://www2.unescobkk.org/education/ict/v2_2/detail.asp?id=18877)

**Progress and Pitfalls in Incorporating Technology into Classrooms in Uzbekistan**
There are a number of challenges and pitfalls involved in projects to incorporate technology into classrooms, as seen in examples of projects across Asia. This article provides a frank look at the progress, pitfalls and discovery during the initial two years of the School Connectivity project in Uzbekistan. [http://www2.unescobkk.org/education/ict/v2_2/detail.asp?id=18885](http://www2.unescobkk.org/education/ict/v2_2/detail.asp?id=18885)

Best regards,

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