

**Joint Expert Workshop on
“Digital Transformation:
Higher Education and Research for Sustainable Development”
Bonn, Germany**

8 - 9 November 2018

Digitalisation has a transformative societal impact, providing solutions and creating new challenges. Against the background of the Sustainable Development Goals it is imperative to analyse this impact in further detail. This workshop, organised by the German Academic Exchange Service (as part of the DIES programme) and the German Development Institute (DIE), will address within the triangle of education, research and development the following questions:

- Where are the opportunities of digitalisation for sustainable development?
- Which fundamental *new* questions arise due to digitalisation?
- What are the implications for higher education, a corner stone for development?
- What impact does digitalisation have on international research networks and science cooperation?

Participation in this workshop is by invitation only. Experts and representatives from civil society, government, higher education and research institutions from Germany/Europe, Southern Powers and other developing regions will attend.

The workshop will be structured around four round tables. Each round table will have an input paper as a basis for further discussion. Panellists will react to the paper each 5min, followed by a chaired discussion and opening to the audience after 45min max.

During the evening of 8 November, a public lecture and discussion will ensure the engagement of the participating experts with a broader audience of higher education and development professionals. The public lecture will take place at the “Universitätsclub” of Bonn University, followed by a reception with finger food.

The workshop aims to agree on a position paper on the implications of digitalisation for higher education and sustainable development (“Bonn Declaration”).

The workshop language will be English.

Venue

DAAD
Kennedyallee 50
53175 Bonn (Germany)

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Thursday morning individual meetings with single participants upon agreement

Thursday, 8 November 2018 Konferenzraum Spange (Room 341, third floor)	
Morning	Arrival of Participants
12:00	Registration and Lunch (Foyer of the Wissenschaftszentrum Bonn)
13:30	Welcome Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Dorothea Rüländ, Secretary General, DAAD Dr. Imme Scholz, Acting Director, DIE Dr. Katrin Bornemann, Division 112 - Digitalization in Development Cooperation, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development
14:00 – 15:30	Roundtable 1: Digitalisation in Southern Powers: Growth and Transformation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Chair: Dr. Wulf Reiners, DIE</i> Shreyasi Singh, Head, Edtech Initiatives, 9.9 Group, India Dr. Yu Dongxing, East China Normal University, Shanghai, China Dr. Yose Rizal Damuri, Centre for Strategic and International Studies, Indonesia Alberto Santiago Martinez, Colegio de México
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee Break
16:00 – 17:30	Roundtable 2: The Impact of Digitalisation on Higher Education in Africa <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Chair: Michael Hörig, DAAD</i> Prof. Dr. Johan van Niekerk, Noroff University College, Kristiansand, Norway and NMU, Port Elizabeth, South Africa Prof. Dr. Slim Abdennadher, German University Cairo, Egypt Prof. Dr. Stephen Kimani, Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology, Kenya Thomas Hervé Mboa Nkoudou, Université Laval, Québec, Canada

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Universitätsclub Bonn, Konviktstraße 9, 53113 Bonn (Wolfgang-Paul-Saal)

18:30 – 20:00	<p>Public Lecture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Dr. Dirk Messner, UNU <p>As respondents: Shreyasi Singh, Head, Edtech Initiatives, 9.9 Group, India Prof. Dr. Idrissa Sarr, University Cheikh Anta Diop de Dakar, Senegal</p>
20:00 – 21:00	<p>Flying Dinner</p>

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9:00 – 10:30	<p>Roundtable 3: Digitalisation in Industrialised Countries: Opportunities and Societal Challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Chair: Dr. Sven Grimm (DIE)</i> • Dr. Dominic Orr, Research Institute for the Economics of Education and Social Affairs (FiBS) • Prof. Dr. Katrin Niglas, Talinn University, Estonia • Martin Rademacher, HRK
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break
11:00 – 12:30	<p>Roundtable 4: Digital Higher Education Provision in Crisis Context</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Chair: Felix Wagenfeld, DAAD</i> • Prof. Dr. Barbara Moser-Mercer, InZone, University of Geneva, Switzerland • Dr. Carsten Walbiner, Programme Director, HOPES and Dr. Hanan El-Said, Ain Shams University, Egypt • Maren Kröger, Higher Education Officer, UNHCR • Dr. Katja Jung, Freie Universität Berlin
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch
13:30 – 15:00	<p>Final Discussion and Adoption of Workshop Conclusions</p> <p>(Position Paper: “Bonn Declaration on Digitalisation and Higher Education for Sustainable Development”)</p> <p><i>Chairs: Michael Hörig, DAAD and Dr. Sven Grimm (DIE)</i></p>
15:00	Final Remarks and Farewell
15:15	End of workshop