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The contribution of e-education in the enhancement of intercultural communicative competence in EFL classrooms

Organizes

**NATIONAL Conference (In Presence and Virtual Via Google Meet)**

**On:**

**E-Learning at The Cross-Roads: An All- Out Call for Rethinking its Implementation in Algerian Higher Education.**



**Chair of the Conference: Dr. Lamry SEGUENI**

**Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>- Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024**



## Introduction:

The COVID-19 outbreak, which dramatically locked down educational institutions, imposed new rules. In its capacity as strategic component of progress and continuity, education need be guaranteed through e-learning. The latter is not an *ad hoc* undertaking as it ought to be strategically planned, structured, and implemented were it to be consequential. E-learning requires a great deal of financial and human resources to have an impact. Equally important is the marketization of e-learning to persuade stakeholders, namely teachers, parents, and students, that this innovation is not a radical alternative to face-to-face teaching and learning. In fact, it is complementary.

## Rationale:

The current national conference, which will be both face-to-face and online, undertakes to examine e-learning and its predecessor distance learning in post-Covid-19 pandemic. Although e-learning has come to be institutionalized, it still poses great challenges to stakeholders. Whilst teachers question its effectiveness, students do not prove to be committed to this new pedagogical strategy. “Drop-out” from attending e-learning classes is alarming: A number of students claim that they have poor Internet services; a strong majority of teachers implicitly recognize they intuitively approach this pedagogical innovation as they have not been sufficiently trained to put technology to good use. Furthermore, only secondary modules with low credits are assigned to e-learning classes. With such challenges, a serious rethinking ought to be given to reassess the efficiency of this strategy by providing tangible procedures to overcome the pitfalls generated by the *ad hoc* implementation of e-learning in the Algerian higher education institutions.

## Objectives:

The organizers of the conference aspire through the plenary session and subsequent workshops to:

1. *assess* the introduction and implementation of e-learning in the Algerian higher education institutions;

2. *deliberate* over the procedural measures that were taken at the inception of the operationalization of e-learning;
3. *examine* the potential of blending learning in the Algerian higher education institutions, and
4. *recommend* practical solutions to readdress the situation in favor of e-learning as a low-cost strategy that eventually customizes services.

### **Tracks:**

The organizers of the conference would wish to receive presentations that endeavor to tackle the following (but not limited to only these) tracks:

1. *Teacher and student training to put e-learning innovation to good use;*
2. *Contents, strategies, and procedures in teaching and learning through ICTs;*
3. *Assessment in e-learning;*
4. *Ethics in e-learning assessment;*
5. *Efficiency of e-learning and blended learning;*
6. *Customization of instruction in e-learning and blended learning;*
7. *Innovative pedagogical procedures in e-learning and blended learning;*
8. *Development of critical skills and research skills through e-learning;*
9. *Enhancement of e-learning-related awareness.*



### **Honorary Guests:**

Prof. Mahmoud DEBABECHE, Rector of Mohamed Khidher University of Biskra.

Prof. Ibrahim KETHIRI, Dean of the Arabic Language Arts and Foreign Languages College, Mohamed Khidher University of Biskra

**Chair of the Conference:**

Dr. Lamry SEGUENI, Mohamed Khidher University of Biskra, chairs the conference

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Dr. Ahmed BACHER, Mohamed Khider University of Biskra, co-chairs the conference.

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**Important Dates:**

**Abstract Submission** Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.  
**Acceptance Notification** Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024.  
**Conference Dates** Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>- Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

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