OER and Lifelong Learning: Current trends and Future Perspectives

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The Open Educational Resources (OER) Dynamic Coalition since March 2020. Objective of supporting the implementation of the areas of action defined in the Recommendation.

The OER Dynamic Coalition aims to foster and facilitate international cooperation between stakeholders and share best practices with a view to creating synergies and networks in the implementation of the 2019 Recommendation on OER.

The OER Dynamic Coalition brings together stakeholders from Member States, including from Ministries responsible for Education and/or Communication and Information Technologies, National Commissions to UNESCO, educational institutions and bodies, cultural institutions (including libraries, archives and museums), Intergovernmental Organizations (IGOs), UNESCO Category 2 Centres, specialised institutions, civil society and the private sector.
GUIDELINES FOR GOVERNMENTS

a. support the use of OER through the revision of policy regulating higher education,
b. contribute to raising awareness of key OER issues,
c. review national ICT/connectivity strategies for higher education,
d. consider adapting open licensing frameworks,
e. consider adopting open format standards,
f. support institutional investments in curriculum design,
g. support the sustainable production and sharing of learning materials,
h. collaborate to find effective ways to harness OER.

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PRIORITIZATION OF ACTIVITIES

(1) UNESCO Observatory of OER
(2) Global forum on OER – annually
(3) Championing specific policy chapters in the Recommendation
(4) UNESCO Annual Flagship Publication on OER
(5) Assigning experts – for a facility of experts and network of institutions
(6) Support the implementation of the Recommendation in developing countries

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