





ELEVATING HIGHER EDUCATION PUBLIC POLICIES: AN EMPOWERING SPRINGBOARD

HESPRI – ESSENCE Conference

(Re)designing Quality Indicators for Higher Education.

5 - 6 December 2023

Kuwait

Venue

The National Library of Kuwait – Main Theatre.

<u>Direction</u>































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HESPRI – ESSENCE Conference (Kuwait) (Re)designing Quality Indicators for Higher Education. Day One: <u>December 5th 2023</u>

Time	Event	Location
8:30 – 11:00 am	Registration open. All Participants kindly register at the main hall.	Main Hall
9:00 – 9:15 am	Welcome announcements. Dr. Ahoud Al-Asfour, College of Basic Education (CBE), PAAET, Kuwait.	Main Theatre
9:15 – 10:15 am	Keynote (1): Elevating Higher Education public policies: an empowering SPRIngboard" (HESPRI): An Overview. (virtual) Moderator: Dr. Ahoud Al-Asfour, CBE, PAAET, Kuwait. Prof. Nicoleta Popa, Faculty of Psychology and Educational Sciences, University Alexandru Ioan Cuza (Project Coordinator), Iasi, Romania.	Main Theatre
10:15 – 11:15 am	Keynote (2): Competence-based quality assurance of teaching and learning in Higher Education. Moderator: Prof. Sofia Bruckmann, the Centre for Research in Higher Education Policies (CIPES), Portugal. Prof. Edith Braun, Professor of Higher Education Research and Teacher Education at Justus Liebig University Giessen.	Main Theatre
11:15 – 11:45 am	Coffee break	Main Hall
11:45 am – 12:45 pm	Featured panel: Harmonizing Higher Education Quality in the Arab Gulf States: Bridging National Requirements and International Standards. Moderator: Dr. Ayeshah Alazmi, Kuwait University (KU), Kuwait. Dr. Khalaf Al'Abri, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman. (President of GCES).	Main Theatre
12:45 – 2:00 pm	Panel (1): Enhancing Educational Quality in Higher Education: Insights from Diverse Perspectives. Moderator: Dr. Ana I. Melo, University of Aveiro and a researcher at the Centre for Research in Higher Education Policies (CIPES), Portugal.	Main Theatre

3:00 – 4:15 pm	Panel (2): Advancing Education in the Digital Era: Insights from Diverse Perspectives on Classroom Assessments, Online Program Quality, and Knowledge Management in Higher Education. Moderator: Dr. Maria João Rosa, University of Aveiro & Centre for Research in Higher Education Policies (CIPES), Portugal. Assessments in the Classroom in the Age of Generative AI. (virtual) Dr. Dorina Rosca, President of Institut Européen d'Etudes du Développement (IEED), Paris. Quality Assurance Criteria and Indicators for online Programs in Higher Education: Development and Experimentation. Dr. Abdelali Kaaouachi, National School of Business and Management, University Mohammed I, Oujda-Morocco. Bridging Policy and Practice in Omani Higher Education: Quality Indicators and	Main Theatre
2:00 – 3:00 pm	Lunch break	Dining Hall
	Quality indicators at the Public Authority for Applied Education and Training. A Practitioner Perspective. Khadeejah Alfailakawi, Mariam Alobaidi, & Suaad Alshebou, The Public Authority for Applied Education and Training - PAAET, Kuwait. Program Impact as a Robust Quality Indicator of a Sustainable Teacher Education Program: The Case of Sultan Qaboos University in Oman. Prof. Mahmoud Emam, Sulaiman Al-Blushi, & Ehab Omara, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman. Academic justice for faculty and its relationship to university integration among students of A'Sharqiyah University (Exploratory study). Dr. Ali Said Almatari, Wasin Albalushi, & Saliha Al-saadi, A'Sharqiyah University, Oman. Quality Measurement as a Prism - Research Evaluation of German Medical Faculties. Judith Hartstein, German Centre for Higher Education Research and Science Studies (DZHW). (virtual)	

4:15 – 4:45 pm	Coffee break	Main Hall
4:45 – 6:00 pm	Panel (3): Revolutionizing Higher Education: Insights from Research Papers on Online Course Design, AI-driven Digitalization, Gamified Flipped Classrooms, and Hyflex Education Readiness in Oman. Moderator: Prof. Edith Braun, Justus Liebig University Giessen. Main Environmental Performance Indicators in Higher Education. State of the Art and Perspectives. (virtual) Dr. Dorin Dusciac, Institut Européen d'Etudes du Développement (IEED), Paris, France. Impact of AI application-driven digitalization on student education quality. Wasin Al kishri, Arab Open University, Oman. Mahmood Al-Bahri, Sohar University, Oman. Gamified flipped classroom with digital tools in higher education. A review. (virtual) Prof. Nicoleta Laura Popa & Ciprian Ceobanu, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania. The Readiness of Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in Oman for Hyflex Education: A Faculty Perspective. Adil Bakheet, Mahmood Al-Bahri, Mohammed Al Nofli, & Abdoulhdi Omran, Sohar University, Oman.	Main Theatre
6:00 – 6:15 pm	Closing remarks. Dr. Ahoud Al-Asfour, CBE, PAAET, Kuwait.	Main Theatre

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Time	Event	Location
9:30 am – 12:00 pm	Registration open. All Participants kindly register at the main hall.	Main Hall
10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Workshop (1): Crafting Self-study Reports for Academic Accreditation in Higher Education Institutions: Methods, Procedures, and Challenges. Dr. Khalaf Al'Abri, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman. (GCES President).	Main Room
12:00 – 12:30 pm	Coffee break	Dining Hall
12:30 – 4:00 pm 3 hours with a break in between	Workshop (2): Designing performance indicators for higher education institutions: strategies and challenges. Ana I. Melo, Associate Professor at the University of Aveiro and a researcher at the Centre for Research in Higher Education Policies (CIPES), Portugal Maria João Rosa, Associate Professor at the University of Aveiro and a senior researcher at the Centre for Research in Higher Education Policies (CIPES), Portugal. Isabel Machado, Centre for Research in Higher Education Policies (CIPES), Portuguese Institute of Marketing Administration — IPAM Oporto. Sofia Bruckmann, the Centre for Research in Higher Education Policies (CIPES), Portugal.	Main Room