

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

Around the world mobile technology is jumping from the periphery of education to the mainstream. A number of the countries – Argentina, Kenya, Portugal, Thailand and Turkey to name only a few – have launched large-scale programs to address educational needs with new digital tools.

These initiatives are dependent on the deep involvement of educators. Teachers are the pillars of education systems and they, more so than any other group, can help ensure that learning is advanced through the careful utilization of technology.

Recently, a number of innovative initiatives have revealed that mobile technology can be used to improve the capacity of teachers as well as assist students. In Mexico, Nigeria, Pakistan and Senegal UNESCO sends relevant content and pedagogical tips to instructors working in contexts where traditional professional development opportunities are scarce, but mobile phones are common. Early results are promising.

Mobile Learning Week 2014 will examine these trends to decipher how the powerful and connected devices that saturate our world can be used to support teachers.



WORKSHOPS

Monday 17 February 2014

Venue: UNESCO Headquarters. Entrance: 125 Avenue de Suffren, Paris

UNESCO will host 11 half-day workshops that will allow participants to take part in interactive demonstrations of mobile learning content and technology, and learn about successful technology interventions.

AGENDA

Time	Programme
09:00–09:30	ROOM 2 – Orientation/Plenary
MORNING SESSION	
09:30–13:00	WORKSHOPS ROOM 3 – Free collaborative apps for iPads and Androids: In your classroom now Mr Elliot Soloway and Ms Cathleen Norris (University of Michigan) ROOM 5 – Teaching techniques, safe spaces and mobile miracles: The Cofimvaba story Ms Adele Botha and Ms Merryl Ford (CSIR Meraka)
11:00–11:30	ROOM 6 – Ustad Mobile: Bring your mobile device and create an m-learning course Mr Mike Dawson (Paiwastoon)
Break	ROOM 7 – Learning to Smile 101: Mobile technology and teaching for inquiry-based learning Mr Noah Freedman and Ms Lisa Griffin (Seeds of Empowerment) ROOM 8 – OER4schools: Developing innovative mathematics and science teaching in sub-Saharan Africa Mr Bjoern Hassler and Ms Sara Hennessy (Centre for Commonwealth Education)
13:00–14:30	LUNCH
AFTERNOON SESSION	
14:30–18:00	WORKSHOPS ROOM 3 – Designing for big impact: The elements of success Mr Adrian Godfrey, Ms Sanna Eskelinen and Mr Antti Karjalainen (GSMA/British Council/Nokia) ROOM 5 – Onezact: Using instant feedback and mobile devices to improve student learning outcomes Mr John Stav, Mr Knut Bjorkli and Ms Katerina Zourou (Sor-Trondelag University College)
16:00–16:30	ROOM 6 – Five Km2 Eduloc: An engaging geo-learning environment for all Mr Narci Vives, Mr Paul Vives and Ms Monica Garriga (Itinerarium)
Break	ROOM 7 – Using mobile technology and social media to enhance educational experience Mr Omo Oaiya (Eko-Konnect Research and Education Initiative) and Mr Yishay Mor (Independent Consultant) ROOM 8 – Teacher professional development on a phone: Yes, there are apps for that Ms Robbie Melton and Ms Nicole Kendall (Tennessee Board of Regents) ROOM 9 – Mobile learning teacher’s toolkit: A window into teacher training Ms Mar Camacho (Rovira i Virgili University)