“Digital Approaches to Increasing Equity in Higher Education – Opening Universities for Refugees”

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## CONFERENCE AGENDA
Digital Approaches to Increasing Equity in Higher Education – Opening Universities for Refugees

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| 12:00 – 12:30 PM | **Welcome Speeches**  
*German Federal Ministry of Education and Research, Berlin*  
*Prof. Olga Zlatkin-Troitschanskaia, Johannes Gutenberg University (JGU) Mainz* |
| 12:30 – 1:00 PM  | **Study Success and Study Opportunities for Refugees: Current State and Perspectives**  
*Prof. Olga Zlatkin-Troitschanskaia, JGU Mainz* |
| 1:00 – 1:30 PM   | **Improve the Study Success of Refugees Through a Student-centered, Evidence-based Development of a Learning Platform**  
*Dr. Renata Suter & Dr. Tobias Ernst, Kiron Open Higher Education, Berlin* |
| 1:30 – 2:00 PM   | Coffee Break                                                                                                                              |
| 2:00 – 2:45 PM   | **The Search for Belonging: Transnational Relationships and Supports in Higher Education for Refugees**  
*Prof. Sarah Dryden-Peterson, Harvard Graduate School of Education* |
| 2:45 – 3:30 PM   | **Learning with and from People Living in Displacement: The Promise of Borderless Higher Education**  
*Prof. Donald A. Dippo, York University* |
| 3:30 – 4:00 PM   | Coffee Break                                                                                                                              |
| 4:00 – 4:45 PM   | **Rebuilding Sustainable Communities through Higher Education in Emergencies**  
*Prof. Barbara Moser-Mercer, University of Geneva / InZone* |
| 4:45 – 5:15 PM   | **Reports from Students with a Refugee Background**  
*Moderation: Sarah Nell-Müller, JGU Mainz* |
| 5:15 – 6:15 PM   | **Think Tank Meeting**  
*Moderation: Dr. Malte Persike, RWTH Aachen University* |
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| 09:30 – 10:00 AM | Can FDL help to Migrants and Refugees’ Integration in Europe? Views from potential Learners and Providers  
*Elizabeth Colucci, European University Association / MOOCs4inclusion* |
| 10:00 – 10:30 AM | Lifeline to Learning: Leveraging Mobile Technology to Support Education for Refugees  
*Mark West, UNESCO* |
| 10:30 – 11:00 AM | Overcoming Obstacles to Refugees’ Access to Higher Education  
*Marina Malgina, Norwegian Agency for Quality Assurance in Education (NOKUT)* |
| 11:00 – 11:30 AM | Coffee break |
| 11:30 – 12:00 AM | Effective Support for Refugees in (Online) Higher Education? Empirical Evidence from an Innovative Approach  
*Prof. Patricia Arnold & Belma Halkic, University of Applied Sciences, Munich* |
| 12:00 – 12:30 PM | The HOPES project – a European Attempt to Address the Effects of the Syria Crisis in the Field of Higher Education  
*Dr. Carsten Walbiner, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)* |
| 12:30 – 1:00 PM | Invisible Youth of Southeast Asia: Access to Higher Education and Opening Universities for Refugees (OUR)  
*Gül İnanç, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore* |
| 1:00 – 2:00 PM | Lunch break |
| 2:00 – 2:30 PM | Lived Experiences of Refugees in Higher Education in South Africa: A Narrative Inquiry  
*Otilia Chiramba, University of the Witwatersrand* |
| 2:30 – 3:00 PM | Educational Paths of Syrian and Somali (Prospective) Students with a Refugee Background  
*Sarah Nell-Müller, Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz* |
| 3:00 – 3:30 PM | Exploratory Study of Syrian Youths’ Transition to Higher Education in Turkey  
*Dr. Rabia Hos, University of Rhode Island; Alia Hadid, University of South Florida & H. Ibrahim Cinarbas, Middle East Technical University* |
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Dr. Roland Happ, Franziska Reinhardt & Prof. Olga Zlatkin-Troitschanskaia, JGU Mainz |
| 4:45 – 5:45 PM   | Panel Discussion with International Experts  
*Moderation: Dr. Renata Suter, KIRON Berlin* |
| 5:45 – 6:00 PM   | Closing Remarks  
*Prof. Olga Zlatkin-Troitschanskaia, JGU Mainz* |