

Proposal for the Organization of ICCE2011 Interactive Event: Policy, Practices and Research on e-Learning in School Education

1. Title of the Interactive Event

Interactive Event on Policy, Practices and Research on e-Learning in School Education

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3. Abstract of the Interactive Event

There is a rapid growth of e-Learning in school education in the Asia-Pacific region in recent years. Various countries/regions such as Hong Kong, Taiwan, Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, Vietnam and Thailand are currently putting effort into the planning of holistic policies, the exploration of effective practices, and the support of continuous research on e-Learning for enhancing quality of school education. The different cultural backgrounds entail different countries/regions in the Asia-Pacific region to exhibit diverse rationale, goals, foci and approaches in the official policies, professional practices, and academic research in the emergent area of e-Learning in school education.

The interactive event aims to expose researchers, policy-makers, practitioners and graduate students to this community in the field of computers in education. The interactive event is committed to serve as a platform for discussing scholarly findings on the current situation, and sharing professional insights into the future directions into policies, practices and research on e-Learning in school education.

4. Details of the Interactive Event

The interactive event will be in the format of a two-hour panel session. A number of experienced academic researchers, policy-makers and practitioners in the related field will serve as the panel members. In the interactive event, each panel member will first deliver a speech in 10 to 15 minutes. An open discussion will follow so that all the participants will be provided with sufficient opportunities to gain insights and exchange ideas with academic researchers, policy-makers, experienced practitioners and graduate students in this theme-based academic community. Supplementary materials such as presentations handouts and discussion guides will be prepared for distribution during the interactive event. Discussions in the interactive event will focus on the official policies, professional practices, and academic research on e-Learning in school education in the Asia-Pacific region such as policy of IT in Education in a country/region and/or professional development of pre-serve and in-service teachers.

The interactive event is planned to be organized in a conference room with basic computing facilities, including a projector, a microphone and a computer with Internet connectivity. The total seating capacity of the desirable conference room is around 50 for professionals who are interested in this research area to participate in the interactive event for mutual sharing.

5. *Organizers of the Interactive Event*

There will be 11 organizers in the interactive event. The details are as follows:

- Chan, Tak Wai (National Central University, Taiwan)
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