



12TH WIEF GLOBAL DISCOURSE

DIGITAL
TRANSFORMATION
AND THE FUTURE
OF EDUCATION

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overview

As the world enters the second year of living with the COVID-19 pandemic, half of the global student population is still affected by full or partial school closures. It has created the most severe global education disruption in history. At the peak of the crisis, UNESCO data showed that over 1.6 billion learners in more than 190 countries were affected.

Due to the pandemic, educational institutes had to hastily turn to e-learning, where teaching is undertaken remotely and on digital platforms. It became a catalyst for governments worldwide to transform their education system into online teaching.

Even before COVID-19, there has been high adoption of education technology, with global edtech investments reaching US\$18.66 billion in 2019 and the overall market for online education forecasted to reach US\$350 billion by 2025. Due to the pandemic, there has been a significant surge in the use of innovative technological solutions powered by artificial intelligence providing improved opportunities for student interaction and collaboration, support interactive digital classrooms and easily adopted by students and educators alike.

Prioritizing education recovery is crucial in order to build more resilient and inclusive education systems whilst at the same time avoiding a generational catastrophe. School closures also threaten progress made towards gender equality, and also cut access to vital services for protection, nutrition, health and well-being.

This Programme will explore:



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4:00 PM **WIEF GLOBAL DISCOURSE**
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Speakers

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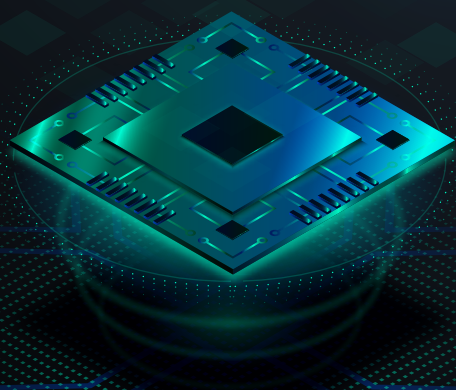
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4:40 PM Question and Answer Session

End of WIEF Global Discourse



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Dr Muhammad Helmi Norman drives the e-learning transformation at the Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia. His expertise is in digital and futuristic education. Being an Apple Distinguished Educator, he is involved in educational transformations at all levels. He is an influencer of digital and futuristic education across Europe and Asia. He is a certified Professional Technologist of the Malaysian Board of Technologists.

Dr Helmi's global experience includes his appointment on the board of directors of the International Association for Blended Learning and has been attached to global research institutions such as Swartz Center for Computational Neuroscience at University of California, Bournemouth University in the United Kingdom and Center for Driven Innovation, Learning and Design, Aalborg University in Denmark.



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Dr Tsinakos Avgoustos is a Professor and Director of Advanced Educational Technologies and Mobile Applications (AETMA) Lab as well as Immersive Technologies in Education Training and Game Design MSc Programme, in the Department of Computer Science at the International Hellenic University in Greece.

Dr Tsinakos collaborates with several open universities in Canada, Spain, Netherlands, Japan and China, being also the coordinator as well as a member of the coordination team in more than 29 national as well as international projects on the topic of distance education and technology-enhanced learning. His publication list includes four books in English and one in Chinese, five book chapters, more than 75 papers on the topic of e-learning, presenter learning and AI.

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Azlina Kamal
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Azlina Kamal leads the education section and provides technical guidance for the strategic development, implementation and evaluation of education programmes within the country programme. Besides focusing on improving learning outcomes, her work revolves around ensuring equity and inclusion especially for children who are marginalised, disadvantaged as well as excluded.

Azlina is interested in the development of politically and socially contextualised approaches to educational leadership, social justice and policy development and engagement. She graduated from University of Kent and UCL Institute of Education, London specialising in education leadership and management and was a recipient of British Chevening Award.

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World Islamic Economic Forum (WIEF) Foundation was established in 2006. It is the organising body of the annual World Islamic Economic Forum. The Forum serves as a focal point where country leaders, captains of industry, emerging entrepreneurs, academics and other stakeholders from the Muslim World and beyond, meet to build bridges through business. The Foundation also undertakes various capacity building programmes under the WIEF initiatives of the Businesswomen Network (WBN), Young Leaders Network (WYN), Education Trust (WET) and Roundtable Series (WRT).

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Since then, WET has carried out the unique WIEF Global Discourse Series that addresses topical issues relating to business and economics, as well as scientific and technological advancement crucial to the development in the Muslim World.

This programme has gained increasing popularity with the public and private sectors as well as academia. It attracts local and international award winners as well as high calibre speakers to the discourse.

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