The Impact of Asia-Europe Cooperation in Higher Education

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Social and Economic Benefits of Lifelong Learning

• Context of universities
• Role of universities
• National and EU policies for universities
Fourth industrial revolution - WEF

• 1. Steam power and power loom for manufacture in 1770’es
• 2. Electricity and assembly lines for mass production in 1870’es
• 3. Computer powered automation of machines in 1970’es
• 4. Smart, connected digital networks with artificial intelligence 2010
Four major areas of impact:

1. Shaping society: embrace transformative societal changes
2. Strategy: Delivering continuous learning, Tapping new sources of talent
3. Talent: workforce development
Global value chains - OECD

- Fragmentation of production lines
- Specialised workforce
- Continuous training
Horizon 2017

• New Media Consortium – 2017 Higher Education Edition
• Continuous training in ICT
Cross-border joint modules and programmes

• Master in Research and Innovation in Higher Education
• Austria, Finland, China
Cross-border university networks for national economic development

• Twinning partnerships
• One Health – big networks, people, animals, environment.
• Leadership matters
ASEM LLL Hub for Lifelong Learning

• Five research networks:
  • ICT
  • Workplace learning
  • Professionalisation of teachers
  • National Strategies
  • New Competences
Impact of ASEM LLL Hub

• Community of practise – 200 researchers
• Mutual learning
• Collegiality and values
• Quality standards of research
• Joint publications
• Feeding into educational policy cooperation
• Global citizenship education
• Funding