

CHARTING THE COURSE FOR SOUTH-SOUTH-NORTH COOPERATION AND BEYOND / MARCH 10th - APRIL 10th 2021

MARCH 25TH 16h CET/ 18h EAT/ 11h BOT/ 20:30 IST

Innovation in teaching and learning and its relation to quality assurance in higher education

-Virtual Seminar prior to the IX Congreso Universitario Centroamericano-

Co-organised by the OBREAL Global Chapter Central America, CSUCA, the EU-LAC Foundation and the Mimir Andino project. *Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English and Spanish

About this event:

Central American higher education has generally been overburdened, and too focused on content and the use of traditional teaching methods. It has failed to pay due attention to the key competences that people need to be successful as citizens, professionals and decision-makers in the 21st century. It is argued that society and the world of work are changing rapidly and profoundly, and that the education offered in the region has to change in the same way.

Quality assurance and accreditation of higher education can be an instrument for change, inspiring and supporting innovation in teaching-learning processes in the spirit of continuous improvement; Or, it can be a bureaucratic burden and a further obstacle for universities. What would be the key to achieve the former and avoid the latter? What international lessons can be drawn from different parts of the world?

This virtual forum will follow up on the HICA and CAN INNOVATE projects (a proposal by CSUCA and OBREAL Global for the E+ programme to develop learning innovation centres in CSUCA member universities). It will aim to exchange views on innovation in learning from different perspectives (from universities, national systems, quality agencies... from Central America and Europe) and explore opportunities for regional and international collaboration in this field.









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Opening

Francisco Herrera, CSUCA (Guatemala) Carlos Alvarado Cerezo, CSUCA (Guatemala)

Welcome from OBREAL Global and EU-LAC Foundation

Elizabeth Colucci, OBREAL Global (Spain) Adrián Bonilla, EU-LAC Foundation (Germany)

Panel

Susan Francis Salazar, Universidad de Costa Rica (Costa Rica) Lea Cruz, Consejo Centroamericano de Acreditación -CCA-Maria Kelo, European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education- ENQA- (Belgium) Elizabeth Noonan, University College Cork (Ireland)

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