ASEM Cooperation in Lifelong Learning

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• A network of leading universities and research institutes in LLL in ASEM countries
• Carry out joint evidence-based comparative research to produce new knowledge and share experience
• Facilitate dialogue and interface between educational research and policy making
ASEM LLL Hub- objectives

• Improve research quality and research capacity of partner universities
• Exchange students and academics
• Disseminate knowledge, research results and policies in LLL
• Strengthen relationship and increase mutual understanding between Asia and Europe
ASEM Process and ASEM LLL Hub

• 2002 ASEM summit IV in Copenhagen: ASEM LLL initiative, 3 work-groups
• 2004 ASEM Summit V in Hanoi
• 2005 ASEM LLL Hub – official launch in Copenhagen, Danish University of Education
• 2006 ASEM Summit VI in Helsinki
• 2008 ASEM MME1 in Berlin
• 2008 ASEM Summit VII in Beijing
• 2009 ASEM MME2 in Hanoi

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ASEM LLL Hub - organisation

• Five research networks
• Council of University management representatives
• Advisory Board of ministerial representatives
• LLL Hub Secretariat and Chairmanship at Danish School of Education, Aarhus University

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ASEM LLL Hub and Denmark

- Long tradition of LLL
- Well-developed LLL policies
- Comprehensive system to support LLL
- Danish School of Education - a leading educational research institute in Europe
- Aarhus University – nr. 63 in Times Higher Education 2009
ASEM LLL Hub 5 research networks

- Development of ICT skills, e-learning and the culture of e-learning in LLL. Coordinator: Professor Bowon Kim, Korea National Open University
- Competence development as workplace learning. Coordinator: Professor Lynne Chisholm, Danish School of Education, Aarhus University
- Professionalisation of lifelong learning and the infrastructure of LLL with special emphasis on teacher training. Coordinator: Professor Ekkehard Nuissl, Duisburg/Essen University
- National Strategies for lifelong learning with regard to citizens’ motivation and barriers to continuing education and training. Coordinator: Director Xianjin Dou, China National Institute of Education Research Development
- ASEM Core Competences. Coordinator: Professor Soonghee Han, Seoul National University
ASEM LLL Hub - Advisory Board

- Senior representatives of national ministries and international organisations with central responsibility and expertise in LLL
- Chairman since 2007: Zoltan Loboda, Ministry of Education and Culture, Hungary
- Co-chairman since 2009: Sumate Yamnoon, the Commission on Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Thailand

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Advisory Board

- reinforce the basic principle of applied research in the 5 networks
- review and comment on papers and publications presented by the 5 networks
- provide recommendations, share policy challenges in order to trigger new relevant research.
- disseminate research findings by 5 networks in national context – strengthen the interface between policy making and research.
- facilitate policy learning, review studies in other international organisations relevant to the work of the ASEM Hub (i.e. the EU, UNESCO and the OECD) and discuss how findings can be fed into the work of the Hub and what added-values the Hub can offer.
- support sustainable models to raise funds for research activities of the ASEM LLL Hub.
ASEM LLL Hub – Key activities

- 2005 Conference in Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2006 Conference in Bangkok, Thailand
- 2007 e-Learning Conference in Seoul, Korea
- 2007 “Building up LLL Communities” Conference in Shanghai, China
- 2007 “Ensuring Lifelong Skills for All” Conference in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2008 Exhibition on ASEM LLL Hub at ASEM Summit Beijing, China
- 2008 “Frameworks for supporting LLL” Conference in Beijing, China
- 2009 Exhibition & Presentation on ASEM LLL at ASEM EMM2 in Hanoi, Vietnam
- 2009 “e-Learning and Workplace Learning” conference in Bangkok, Thailand
- 2009 “Increasing Opportunities and Removing Obstacles for LLL” Conference in Nha Trang, Vietnam

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ASEM LLL Hub Publications

- Building up Lifelong Learning Communities – Challenges and Opportunities. Community education Committee of Xuhui District, Shanghai, 2007.
- Teacher and trainers in Adult education and Lifelong Learning: Professional Development in Asia and Europe, 2009.

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Research-based Policy
Recommendations presented 2005-2008

- Conceptualise e-learning and its role in lifelong learning: trends in e-learning standardisation and quality assurance, redefine culture of e-learning in lifelong learning
- View working places as lifelong learning spaces: workplace learning as competence development, learning in, through and for work, role of organisations to create learning opportunities
- Emphasise the need for professionalization of teachers, trainers, guidance and counselling specialists in lifelong learning contexts: their qualifications, competences and roles to assure quality of lifelong learning
- Examine lifelong learning policies and practices in the framework of national socio-economic development
Current Research Projects

• ASEM White Paper on eLearning
• ASEM Workplace Learning Survey
• ASEM Adult Learning Participation Survey
• ASEM LLL Conference in 2010
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