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Dear Colleague

Invitation to participate at the 27th ICDE World Conference on Online Learning: Teaching in a Digital Age — Re-thinking Teaching & Learning

Join us as we welcome the global community of faculty & instructors, practitioners, experts, instructional technology and media professionals, training providers, researchers, consultants, start-ups, policy makers, academic decision-makers and educational technology industry leaders for the 27th ICDE World Conference on Online Learning: Teaching in a Digital Age — Re-thinking Teaching & Learning from the 16-19 October 2017 in Toronto, Canada!

The conference presents you with the opportunity to connect, engage, and exchange with colleagues from around the world to focus on how online, open, and flexible learning is being used to respond to the current and future needs of students and the challenge of meeting the United Nations sustainable development goal of quality education for all.

The conference has so far attracted **600+ submissions** to the call for proposals with **900 authors from 56 countries**.

Check [here](#) to see just some of the presenters and their proposals that have already been accepted and here for the [schedule at a glance](#).

Don't miss out on *the* must attend conference of the year to:

- Discover new modes of teaching, learning, course delivery, and assessment in higher education.
- Find out about new strategies to improve student-learning outcomes.
- Learn about research and practices related to institutional change, quality assurance, international collaboration, lifelong learning and the latest trends in online, open and flexible learning.
- Find partners and collaborators for projects and research.
- And much, much more!

Make sure to register before the **10 September** to benefit from the early bird rate.

We look forward to welcoming you in Toronto!

Best regards
ICDE Secretariat

Not already a member of ICDE and looking to attend the 27th ICDE World Conference? Then there is a special offer you can't miss out on!

Participants at the ICDE World Conference 2017 who apply for ICDE institutional membership on site and pay the 2018 fee before 15 December 2017 – get a 50% reduction of the fee for 2018.

[More information...](#)

Ph.D. Track at ICDE World Conference

ICDE is happy to announce that the [tentative program](#) for the Doctoral Student's Track at the upcoming World Conference in Toronto is now available. 13 Ph.D. students conducting research within the fields of online, open, flexible and technology enhanced learning are to present their interim research, and will get feedback from both peers and experts following their presentation. The Doctoral Student's Track is open for participation from all Ph.D students attending the World Conference. Read more about the Global Doctoral Consortium (GDC) [here](#).

Are you an ICDE member based in the Nordic countries and Northern Europe ? Then join us for a study trip in Toronto 19-20 October

The purpose is to connect Nordic and North European educational providers with expertise and interest in online, open, flexible and technology enhanced learning with Canadian institutions and innovative hubs who are engaged in digitalisation and learning. The study trip is being arranged in partnership with [Flexible Education Norway](#). Please register your participation to icde@icde.org att. Torunn Gjelsvik by **1 September 2017** as soon as possible, as we practice "first come, first served" for the registry and there will be a maximum limit with regards to the total number of participants. See [here](#) for the draft program for details

Additional Information:

Registration Link: <http://onlinelearning2017.ca/en/registration/>

Canadian Visas & eTA

If you are travelling to Canada please note that all prospective delegates must check the Government of Canada's website to determine if you require an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) or a visitor visa to attend the conference. Further information can be found here: <http://onlinelearning2017.ca/en/visa-information/>

Location, Venue and Accommodation

The conference will be hosted in [Toronto, Canada](#) and further information on the venue and accommodation can be found here: <http://onlinelearning2017.ca/en/hotel/>

About the conference host:

The World Conference on Online Learning: Teaching in The Digital Age – Re-Thinking Teaching & Learning, the 27th edition of the International Council for Open and Distance Education (ICDE) World Conference, is organized and hosted by [Contact North](#) | [Contact Nord](#).