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Here is a round-up of the latest engagements in TVET undertaken by the UNEVOC Network Secretariat and UNEVOC Centres in July and August 2023.

UNEVOC Network Secretariat in Bonn, Germany



World Youth Skills Day

To celebrate World Youth Skills Day 2023, UNESCO-UNEVOC and WorldSkills International organized a hybrid event on 'Empowering youth for a sustainable future' on 14 July 2023. The event was organized in collaboration with WorldSkills Germany, the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH.

Representatives from the University Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia (UNEVOC Centre in Malaysia) and National Skills Development Corporation (UNEVOC Centre in India) participated in the hybrid event as panelists.

More information is available here: <https://unevoc.unesco.org/home/World+Youth+Skills+Day>

UNEVOC Network Secretariat in the field



Second National TVET Forum in Mongolia

The Second National TVET Forum was held in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia on 8 and 9 June 2023. The event was co-organized by the Mongolian Ministry of Education and Science, UNESCO, the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH and the Vocational Education, Training Partnership NGO (VETP – UNEVOC Centre in Mongolia), among others. The sessions focused on enhancing quality TVET reform for sustainable development in Mongolia. Three UNEVOC Centres presented at the forum, namely Shenzhen Polytechnic University, Shaanxi Polytechnic Institute and Korea Research Institute for Vocational Education and Training. Friedrich Huebler, Head of UNESCO-UNEVOC, and Olivier Pieume, Team Leader of the UNEVOC Network Secretariat, shared their insights as speakers during the event. There were also presentations from representatives of UNESCO Headquarters and the UNESCO Multisectoral Regional Office for East Asia.

More information is available here: <https://www.unesco.org/en/articles/enhancing-quality-tvet-reform-sustainable-development-mongolia-second-national-tvet-forum-mongolia>

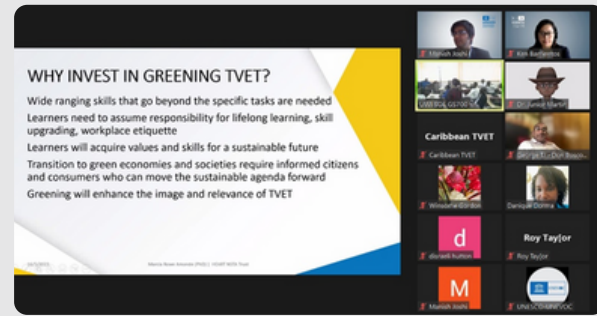


BILT project bridging event on TVET for hospitality and tourism

UNESCO-UNEVOC, the Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (BIBB – UNEVOC Centre in Germany) and Temasek Polytechnic (UNEVOC Centre in Singapore) organized the first on-site Bridging Innovation and Learning in TVET (BILT) project bridging event in the Asia-Pacific region from 26-28 June 2023 in Singapore. The event was co-hosted by the Ministry of Education of Singapore, Chair of the ASEAN TVET Council. It focused on green and digital qualifications and competencies in the Asia-Pacific region, specifically the hospitality and tourism sector.

11 UNEVOC Centres joined the event onsite, including Maldives Polytechnic (UNEVOC Centre in Maldives), Office of the Vocational Education Commission (UNEVOC Centre in Thailand), Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (UNEVOC Centre in the Philippines), National Centre for the Training of Trainers and Training Engineering (UNEVOC Centre in Tunisia), Omnia – The Joint Authority of Education in the Espoo Region (UNEVOC Centre in Finland), Korea Research Institute for Vocational Education and Training (UNEVOC Centre in the Republic of Korea), Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia (UNEVOC Centre in Malaysia), Swiss Federal University for Vocational Education and Training (UNEVOC Centre in Switzerland), Vanuatu Institute of Technology (UNEVOC Centre in Vanuatu), General Directorate of Vocational Education and Training, Ministry of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs (MOLISA) (UNEVOC Centre in Viet Nam), Shenzhen Polytechnic (UNEVOC Centre in China).

More information is available here: <https://unevoc.unesco.org/bilt/BILT+hospitality+tourism+transition>



6th International Conference on TVET in the Caribbean

The 6th International Conference on TVET in the Caribbean was held on 16-19 May 2023 in Kingston, Jamaica. The UNESCO Cluster Office for the Caribbean and UNESCO Regional Bureau for Latin America in Santiago, collaborated with the University of the West Indies, Mona in organizing the conference which focused on 'TVET: Resilience for sustainable development in disruptive times'. Two UNEVOC Centres, namely The Human Employment and Resource Training /National Service Training Agency Trust (HEART/NSTA Trust – UNEVOC Centre in Jamaica) and University of Technology, Jamaica (UNEVOC Centre in Jamaica) were featured as speakers at the conference sessions.

Friedrich Huebler, Head of UNESCO-UNEVOC, provided opening remarks at the conference. Kenneth Barrientos and Manish Joshi from UNESCO-UNEVOC's SDGs and Greening TVET team facilitated the workshop on 'Greening and transforming TVET for more resilient and sustainable economies'. Cégep de la Gaspésie et des Îles (UNEVOC Centre in Canada) also shared their insights at the conference.

More information is available here: <https://www.caribbeantvet.com>



Conference on sustainable production

On 16 and 17 August 2023, the National Institute of Educational Cooperation (INCES – UNEVOC Centre in Venezuela) organized a conference on sustainable production to mark its 64th anniversary. The conference included the participation of academic and government institutions, private companies and researchers in the field of renewable energies, recycling, agroecology and sustainable forestry production. The objective of the event was to promote training for sustainable development and to encourage the adoption of practices that reduce the environmental and social impact of production. Kenneth Barrientos, Team Leader for SDGs and Greening TVET at UNESCO-UNEVOC, presented on ‘Enhancing the contributions of TVET for the green transition’.

More information is available here: <https://inces.gob.ve/index.php/2023/08/17/inces-celebro-el-primer-encuentro-educativo-sobre-produccion-sostenible/>



BEAR III project validation workshops in West Africa

In July and August 2023, UNEVOC Centres in West Africa participated in the validation workshops for the Better Education for Africa’s Rise (BEAR) III project, which is implemented by UNESCO and funded by the Republic of Korea in four countries in West Africa: Côte d’Ivoire, Ghana, Nigeria and Sierra Leone.

The National Agency for Vocational Training (AGEFOP – UNEVOC Centre in Côte d’Ivoire), National Pedagogical Institute for Technical and Vocational Education (IPNETP - UNEVOC Centre in Côte d’Ivoire), Commission for TVET (CTVET – UNEVOC Centre in Ghana), Accra Technical Training Institute (ATTI – UNEVOC Centre in Ghana), and the National Board for Technical Education (NBTE – UNEVOC Centre in Nigeria) provided their valuable inputs to the discussions. The UNESCO delegation for the validation mission consisted of representatives from UNESCO Headquarters, the UNESCO Multisectoral Regional Office for Africa, UNESCO Field Offices in Abuja, Accra and Abidjan and UNESCO-UNEVOC, supported by representatives from the Korea Research Institute for Vocational Education and Training (KRIVET – UNEVOC Centre in the Republic of Korea).

The validation workshops and technical meetings brought together key stakeholders including the relevant ministries in each country. The objective of the validation workshops was to finalize the consultation process initiated by the scoping mission, agree on the final report and identify the major partners for the implementation phase of the project. In line with the recommendations of the BEAR III scoping missions organized in April and May 2023, the draft project documents were validated in July and August 2023.

Activities of UNEVOC Centres

Africa



WorldSkills Kenya National Competition
Technical and Vocational Education and Training Authority (TVETA)
Nairobi, Kenya

Kenya held its first WorldSkills national competition from 28 August -1 September where over 120 young trainees from 35 TVET institutions and 13 universities participated in 18 skill areas. <https://www.tveta.go.ke/ps-for-tvet-launch-worldskills-kenya-national-competition/>



World Youth Skills Day celebration in Nigeria
Yaba College of Technology
Lagos, Nigeria

The World Youth Skills Day celebration was held on 17 July 2023 at the Yusuf Grillo Auditorium of the College. The programme, with over 300 participants, started with exhibitions of students' innovation from various departments. Academics and entrepreneurs facilitated several sessions in alignment with the theme.



World Youth Skills Day celebration in Nigeria
University of Nigeria Nsukka
Nsukka, Nigeria

The World Youth Skills Day celebration at the University of Nigeria, Nsukka was held at the Faculty of Vocational and Technical Education Arena on 15 July 2023. The event featured a lecture, presentation and skills exhibition. <https://www.primebusiness.africa/world-youth-skills-day-youths-advised-to-prioritize-digital-literacy/>



World Youth Skills Day celebration in Ghana
University of Cape Coast
Cape Coast, Ghana

The University of Cape Coast organized three events on 21 July 2023 to mark World Youth Skills Day 2023. This included a symposium, an entrepreneurship fair and a fashion show. The theme of the event was 'Skilling teachers, trainers and youth for a transformative future'. <https://ucc.edu.gh/news/votec-marks-world-youth-skills-day-0>

Development of the National TVET Policy in Botswana

Human Resource Development Council of Botswana (HRDC)

Gaborone, Botswana

As part of the education reform agenda, Botswana is mainstreaming TVET, starting with the development of the overarching National TVET policy for proper coordination of the TVET sector. HRDC is on the TVET Policy Technical Committee and addresses mindset change towards TVET, vocational education as the driver of rural development, and professional work ethics in TVET practitioners, among others. The Council is charged with stakeholder-wide consultations.

Human capital development summits

Human Resource Development Council of Botswana (HRDC)

Gaborone, Botswana

HRDC participated in the Local Manufacturing Summit and Africa Summit of the Human Capital Development in Arusha, organized by the World Bank. Both events highlighted the need for partnerships to develop TVET skills and opportunities for youth, which also address the entrepreneurship development aspect in human capital development in TVET.

<https://www.hrdc.org.bw/?q=hrdc-attends-african-human-capital-summit-2023>



Workshop on gender-responsive pedagogy and sexual harassment awareness and prevention

Accra Technical Training Centre (ATTC)

Accra, Ghana

On 19 July 2023, ATTC organized a workshop on gender-responsive pedagogy and sexual harassment awareness and prevention for its teaching and non-teaching staff. The workshop aimed to equip educators with the necessary knowledge, skills and strategies to effectively address and prevent incidents of sexual harassment within the educational community. The main objective of the workshop was to ensure that the teachers at ATTC are well-equipped to address and prevent sexual harassment incidents within the institution.

Arab States



The Colleges of Excellence launches strategic partnership with City and Guilds to develop and enhance skills

Technical and Vocational Training Corporation (TVTC), Saudi Arabia

London, United Kingdom

As part of its vision to empower and raise the efficiency of national cadres by providing technical training solutions in accordance with international best practices, the Colleges of Excellence announced the signing of a strategic partnership agreement with the international City and Guilds organization in England and Scotland. It is one of the most important leading international qualification organizations and one of the largest awarding professional qualifications globally. It was under the auspices and presence of His Excellency the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Colleges of Excellence, Governor of TVTC, Ahmed bin Fahd AL-Fuhaid, at the headquarters of the City and Guilds Foundation in London.

<https://tvtc.gov.sa/en/MediaCenter/News/Pages/cityandguilds.aspx>



Developing advertising skills techniques

Foundation of Technical Education / Middle Technical University

Baghdad, Iraq

The Foundation of Technical Education / Middle Technical University celebrated World Youth Skills Day in July 2023. The UNEVOC Centre held a

competition event on 24 July 2023 entitled 'Developing advertising skills techniques'. The event aimed for the enhancement of skills for Applied Arts College students in commercial and awareness advertisement.

<https://mtu.edu.iq/blog/world-youth-skill-day-2023/>



Finance initiative for entrepreneurship students

Foundation of Technical Education / Middle Technical University

Baghdad, Iraq

The Financial and Accounting Training Centre in the Ministry of Finance, in cooperation with the Al-Hakma Training and Consulting House, and with the participation of the Administrative Technical College, held the Finance Initiative for Young Entrepreneur Students on 31 August 2023. The event was attended by the Director of the UNEVOC Centre in Iraq, Abdulmohsin Najji AL-Muhaisen, and the Coordinator Wadhah Amer Hatem, with the participation of the Rehabilitation and Employment Division at the Middle Technical University. The initiative includes a range of training and educational programmes in the financial and economic fields for pioneering students.

<https://mtu.edu.iq/blog/mfsr/>



Alternative and renewable energy workshop - Summer training programme

Foundation of Technical Education / Middle Technical University

Baghdad, Iraq

An alternative and renewable energy workshop was held as part of a summer training programme to develop the technical skills of students at the Middle Technical University. The programme started on 16 July 2023 and lectures were given by a number of trainers from ASWAR Company. The workshop aimed to develop the potential of students trained in engineering disciplines to acquire skills for future work.

<https://mtu.edu.iq/blog/altar/>

The integration of global citizenship education and media and information literacy

The National Higher Engineering School of Tunis (ENSIT)

Tunis, Tunisia

ENSIT organized a workshop on the Integration of global citizenship education and media and information literacy as part of a course on communication techniques. The workshop consisted of debates and exchanges between students and professionals to:

- Promote students' projects following the elements studied in the communication techniques course (focus on non-violent communication, active listening, analysis of media content, critical thinking, empathy and resilience).
- Launch the social entrepreneurship club project at ENSIT.
- Launch a dynamic around social commitment.

The agenda of the event is available here:

http://www.utunis.rnu.tn/fileadmin/test/Prog_Journ%C3%A9%2025mai.pdf



World Youth Skills Day 2023 in UAE

Abu Dhabi Centre for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (ACTVET)

Abu Dhabi, UAE

ACTVET hosted a three-day event from 10 to 12 July at Yas Mall to celebrate World Youth Skills Day 2023 as well as to highlight the importance of equipping young individuals with the necessary skills and abilities to prepare them for the job market. The event represented a valuable opportunity for students and young visitors to learn about the offers available in the fields of technical and vocational education and training, and the skills necessary to qualify them to enter the labour market in the future.

<https://wam.ae/ar/details/1395303177658>



Skills Camp by EmiratesSkills

Abu Dhabi Centre for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (ACTVET)

Abu Dhabi, UAE

ACTVET's EmiratesSkills team organized a 'Skills Camp', a series of courses and workshops at its Innovation Park aimed at providing students with an introductory overview of various skills through engagement in hands-on activities. The camp featured five courses (3D Printing, Electrical Installations, Electronics, Automobile Technology and 3D Modeling), with each focusing on specific skills.

Asia and the Pacific



Yes to Work programme **Abu Dhabi Centre for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (ACTVET)**

Abu Dhabi, UAE

ACTVET organized the 23rd session of its national programme, 'Yes to Work', from 31 July to 11 August 2023. It was held in six cities around the country: Abu Dhabi, Al Ain, Dubai, Sharjah, Ajman and Fujairah for the first time, with the participation of about 600 young men and women from the Emirates aged between 15-24 years. The programme was organized to enable them to enter the hospitality and hotel sector, in addition to warehouse management, customer service, and sales in the bakery sector.

<https://wam.ae/ar/details/1395303186389>



Teachers participate in capability training in Singapore

Shaanxi Polytechnic Institute (SXPI)

Singapore, Singapore

From 13 to 25 August 2023, SXPI selected 30 teachers for a study visit to Nanyang Technological University in Singapore to undertake teaching capability training. This was the first large-scale dispatch of professional teachers for specialized overseas study after the COVID-19 pandemic. Such overseas capability training plays a significant role in promoting the professional development and improving the professional skills of teachers at SXPI.

<https://en.sxpi.edu.cn/info/1003/2203.htm>



Celebrating the Iranian National Day for TVET Instructor Training and Research Centre (ITC-Iran TVTO)

Karaj, Islamic Republic of Iran

Every year in Iran, 28 July is celebrated as the Iranian National Day for TVET. This year, Iran TVTO held a National Skill Festival to celebrate the day.

<https://bit.ly/3SfrvrB>



**The 2nd Professional Workers' Skills Competition
Instructor Training and Research Centre (ITC-Iran
TVTO)**

Karaj, Islamic Republic of Iran

The 2nd Professional Workers' Skills Competition was held at the Instructor Training and Research Centre (ITC-Iran TVTO) from 9 to 11 August 2023. The Professional Workers' Skills Competition 2023 brought together 192 professional workers from 62 companies and enterprises as competitors across nine skills.

<https://bit.ly/3Sm3VJs>

The Law on TVET has undergone reforms, resulting in updates to the funding of the sector and the rights and responsibilities of institutional management. Additionally, the incentive system for teachers in vocational and technical education institutions has been enhanced. It is now based on their performance and results.

<http://en.meds.gov.mn/post/132048>



**Capacity development centres in Mongolia
Vocational Education, Training Partnership NGO
(VETP)**

Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

The Cooperative TVET project (2019-2023) supports seven TVET institutions in evolving into specialized capacity development centres (CDCs) that serve as knowledge and skills multipliers within the TVET sector. CDCs have become instrumental in promoting excellence and innovation within the TVET sector, as well as promoting collaboration and synergy.

In 2023, seven CDCs fulfilled their role as multipliers of knowledge and skills in the TVET sector by implementing a roadshow. This roadshow consisted of a series of events aimed at disseminating good practices and knowledge.

<https://vetp.mn/cdc>



**Revision of TVET law in Mongolia
Vocational Education, Training Partnership NGO
(VETP)**

Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

The General Law on Education was approved by the Parliament of Mongolia, and the Law on TVET was revised. The General Law on Education, the Law on Preschool and General Education, the Law on TVET and the Law on Higher Education have been adopted. These laws support human development and are aimed at eliminating disparities in the quality of education.



TVET Policy eFORA 2023
Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA)
The Philippines (online)

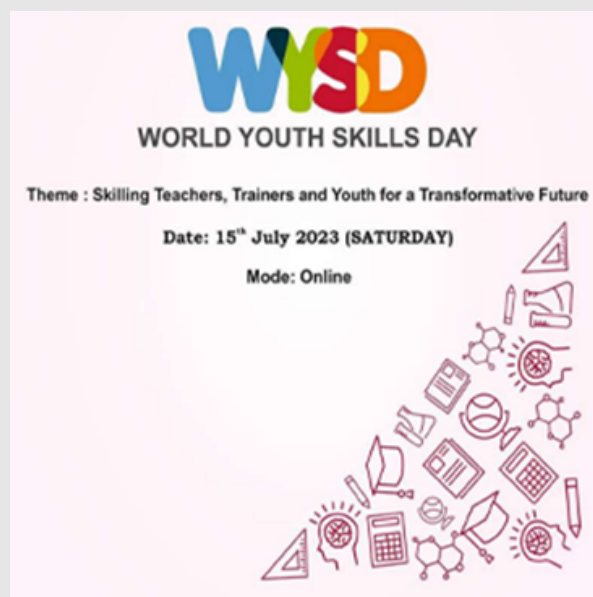
TESDA, in partnership with the International Labour Organization (ILO), hosted the TVET Policy eFora in August 2023. Organized online in a two-part series on 11 and 16 August 2023, the event focused on the National Technical Education and Skills Development Plan (NTESDP) 2023-2028. The eFora focused on two pivotal themes, 'Transitioning to a knowledge-based economy through lifelong learning in TVET' and 'Investing in TVET for social inclusion'.
<https://www.tesda.gov.ph/Announcements/Details/18>



National TVET plan of the Philippines
Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA)
Makati City, the Philippines

On 25 August 2023, TESDA launched the National Technical and Skills Development Plan (NTESDP) 2023-2028, the national blueprint for its TVET sector, with the theme 'TVET as pathway to recovery and social-economic transformation'. NTESDP is a comprehensive development plan that aims to mobilize and integrate different sectors

to transform and attain re-engineered, agile, data-driven and future-oriented technical and vocational education and training.
<https://www.tesda.gov.ph/Media/NewsDetail/20264>



World Youth Skills Day celebration in India
PSS Central Institute of Vocational Education (PSSCIVE)
Bhopal, India

The PSS Central Institute of Vocational Education (PSSCIVE), a unit of the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) and a UNEVOC Centre, celebrated World Youth Skills Day on 15 July 2023 by organizing a webinar focused on the 2023 WYSD theme of 'Skill teachers, trainers and youth for a transformative future'. The event was inaugurated by Dinesh Prasad Saklani, Director of NCERT, and featured keynote speakers, Shri. Deepak Bhardwaj, who stressed the importance of soft skills and creativity, and Garima Bhardwaj, who discussed strategic design interventions. Recognizing the need for adaptable skills in today's evolving job market, the webinar focused on empowering youth through vocational education and training. It also showcased vocational student activities across various sectors in model schools.
https://psscive.ac.in/storage/uploads/documents/1695201881_Report%20WYSD%202023%20V3%2021.08.2023.pdf

Europe, CIS and North America



New education programme

Niels Brock Copenhagen Business College (Brock)
Copenhagen, Denmark

Jesper Buch's Entrepreneurship Academy at Niels Brock Copenhagen Business College offers an immersive platform for aspiring innovators. Providing practical skills, mentorship and networking, the academy empowers students to cultivate creative ideas into impactful ventures. Through dynamic workshops and industry insights, it fosters a culture of entrepreneurial excellence within Niels Brock's academic environment.

<https://nielsbrock.dk/erhvervsuddannelser/erhvervsuddannelse-for-unge/eux-gymnasiet/jesper-buch>



Award of new Erasmus+ greening project
Malta College of Arts, Science and Technology (MCAST)

Paola, Malta

MCAST's project on the theme of greening and sustainability called 'GreenLabs4VET' has been recently accepted through Erasmus+ Key Action 2 projects. This will be the second-generation project and include partners in Spain, Greece and North Macedonia. The project has two main components: Green labs in VET and Online green creative hub.

<https://www.greeningvet.eu/new-project-green-labs-4-vet/>



Czechia as an education village

National Pedagogical Institute of the Czech Republic (NPI)

Prague, Czech Republic

In June 2023, NPI organized a conference titled 'Czech Republic as an education village'. This one-day event took place in Brno and the programme offered expert panels with international participation, reflecting on the phenomena of the past months – the integration of Ukrainian pupils and students, the upcoming revision of the curriculum framework, the Czech EU Presidency and more. Speakers at the event came from different countries and backgrounds, including Hans van Mourik Broekman (Principal of Liverpool College), Martin Kříž (Head of Curriculum Reform at the Slovak Ministry of Education) and Sofia Carozza (from the University of Cambridge and Harvard University).

The conference built on the December 2022 conference 'Do we belong together? Region as an education village,' organized to set up and deepen partnerships. The 2023 conference will be followed by the event 'Europe as an education village' in June 2024.

<https://en.npi.cz/blog/report-on-the-international-conference-czechia-as-an-education-village>

Broadcast on Generation Z in the labour market
Kazimierz Wielki University in Bydgoszcz (UKW)
Bydgoszcz, Poland

UKW's Renata Tomaszewska was invited to participate in the Regionalny Punkt Dnia programme, broadcast on 4 July 2023 on Polish Radio PIK. The radio broadcast focused on Gen Z in the labour market and the issue of interpersonal relations in the workplace.

Ms Tomaszewska talked about generations in the labour market, highlighting the perspective of potential benefits for the work process resulting from multi-generationality and analysing the threats resulting from insufficient involvement of management staff in the issues of age management.

<https://www.radiopik.pl/139,1723,4-lipca-2023>

Latin America and the Caribbean



English as a key tool in the labour market
National Institute for Employment and Professional Training (INEFOP)
Montevideo, Uruguay

INEFOP created a programme to promote English language training for people and companies. The objective of enhancing the skill is to provide individuals with access to better job opportunities. Additionally, company leaders greatly benefit from English proficiency as it enables them to foster commercial growth and explore new international markets.

<https://www.inefop.uy/programa-ingles>



Online training for Haitian public administration
Ecole Supérieure d'Infotronique d'Haïti (ESIH)
Port au Prince, Haiti

ESIH developed an online training programme on generative AI, more particularly on ChatGPT, which was presented to the country's public administration. The training included five parts:

1. A presentation of the stakes brought by AI (educational, economic and social).
2. Important definitions and concepts to understand (such as prompt, generative AI, types of AI, stages of evolution of AI, etc.).
3. Most common uses of ChatGPT.
4. Introduction to Prompt Engineering.
5. Use cases of ChatGPT (education, journalism, etc.).

The training is accessible on ESIH's distance learning platform, via the link below.

<https://tainosvisualartschool.thinkific.com/courses/ece-ai-04-introduction-a-chatgpt>



International Week of Technology Transfer 2023
National Training Service of Industrial Work (SENATI), Peru; DUOC UC, Chile; and National Council for the Federal Network of Vocational, Scientific and Technological Education Institutions (CONIF), Brazil

Arequipa, Junín and Ancash, Peru

SENATI hosted the International Week of Technology Transfer 2023, during which 10 in-person training courses were conducted for students and instructors from the schools of Maintenance, Automotive Mechanics, Electrical Engineering and Administration. These courses took place at SENATI's Arequipa, Junín, and Ancash campuses. The courses were developed and delivered by professors from international strategic partnerships with DUOC UC from Chile (UNEVOC Centre in Chile) and the Federal Institute of Pernambuco from Brazil, which is part of the Federal Network Of Vocational, Scientific And Technological Education Institutions (CONIF - UNEVOC Centre in Brazil).

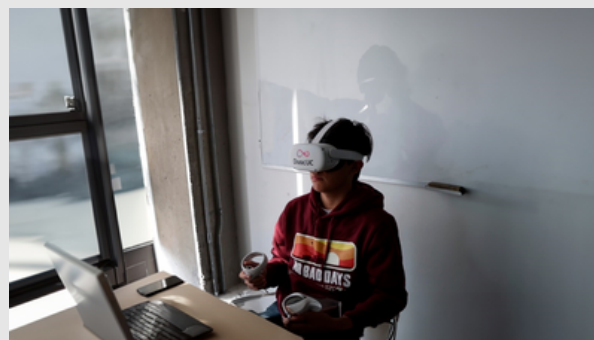
<https://www.senati.edu.pe/conexionsenati/educacion-tecnologica/alumnos-e-instructores-de-senati-se-beneficiaron-con-capacitaciones-gracias-a-alianzas-con-instituciones-de-chile-y-brasil/>



The trainer's role in transforming Caribbean youth
National Training Agency (NTA), Trinidad and Tobago; HEART National Service and Training Agency Trust (HEART NSTA), Jamaica; Grenada National Training Agency (NTA), Grenada; and Technical and Vocational Education and Training Council (TVET Council), Barbados

Online

UNEVOC Centres from Trinidad and Tobago, Jamaica, Barbados and Grenada organized a webinar on World Youth Skills Day to explore the vital role trainers play in transforming Caribbean youth. The following UNEVOC Centres took part in the webinar: NTA (Trinidad and Tobago), HEART Trust/ NSTA, Grenada NTA and the TVET Council Barbados. The webinar also looked at effective teaching strategies, empowerment through skills development and the transformative power of mentorship in shaping the lives of Caribbean youth.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Og_O9mhSyw



Implementation of metaverse in academic activities
Duoc UC

Santiago, Chile

Duoc UC has become the first TVET institution in Latin America to use the metaverse as a teaching tool, as part of the curricular activities for students in the area of mechanics. A ceremony was carried out to mark this important milestone.

https://www.duoc.cl/?noticia_post_type=el-primer-metaverso-en-educacion-en-latinoamerica-es-de-duoc-uc



Self-sustainable school model in Paraguay

Fundación Paraguaya

Asunción, Paraguay

Fundación Paraguaya is working to provide technical assistance in the adoption of the self-sustaining school model in the following educational institutions: Unidos por Cristo, Colegio Adventista del Este Paraguay (CADEP), Instituto Salesiano Carlos Pfannl and Centro de Educación Familiar Agrícola (C.E.F.A). This training began with the development of a business plan adapted to each institution. Additional training in entrepreneurship is planned.
<https://enpositivopy.com/news/article/700/educadores-fueron-entrenados-para-implementar-modelo-de-escuelas-autosostenibles>



Feria Virtual Laboral 2023 (Online career fair)

Duoc UC

Santiago, Chile

The virtual job fair aimed to connect companies with students and graduates through exclusive and varied job opportunities – internships, full-time/part-time jobs, and freelance offers in a variety of formats – in person, online or hybrid.

During the week, companies were able to carry out their recruitment processes, communicate with applicants and schedule online interviews with selected candidates through the platform. The fair also had practical workshops available that focused on tools or methodologies that support students or graduates in their work context. The online career fair took place from 29 August to 1 September.
<https://feriavirtual.duoclaboral.cl/expo>



Constitutional dialogues

Duoc UC

Santiago, Chile

Duoc UC and the Association of Professional and Vocational Institutions (Vertebral) took part in constitutional dialogues for the country's future. All campuses and different departments participated in meetings designed to provide relevant perspectives for the process of writing the new Constitution. The constitutional dialogues consisted of a meeting space between teachers and administrators to reflect and present their opinions about the future of education in Chile in the new Constitution.
https://www.duoc.cl/?noticia_post_type=dialogos-constituyentes-duoc-uc-colabora-en-el-futuro-de-la-educacion



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