

## Call for Papers

# Experimenting with Online Pedagogical Resources for European Universities (OpenU)

The Universities of Rennes 1 and Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne are delighted to invite you to the OpenU International Conference “Experimenting with Online Pedagogical Resources for European Universities”, that will take place in Paris, France, on October 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Research contributions can be published as conference proceedings in the journal *Education Sciences*.

### Target audience

Different stakeholders involved in European higher education, such as researchers, lectures, educational and support staff, practitioners, policy makers, university representatives and students.

### Topics

Participants are invited to share and discuss experiences around the following OpenU priority actions:

- Development of multiple degrees
- Development of MOOCs & Micro-Masters
- Identification, creation, and management of mobility window
- How to give a lecture in a virtual classroom?
- Organisation of collaborative online courses
- Integration of the innovative tools in university digital infrastructure (APIs)
- How to develop online cooperation (digital lab)?
- How to support blended learning?
- Change management for university leadership in a digital world - raising awareness on the added value of the hub

In line with the conference theme, topics may include:

- Cooperative education, inter-university education and education alliances
- Education policy and evidence-based policy
- Credentials recognition for inter-university micro-programmes
- Higher Education Management
- New forms of students and teachers' mobility
- Innovation and innovative education
- Blended and distributed learning
- Teaching experiences (best practices)
- Education experiments
- Digital tools (testing functionalities to improve education)
- MOOCs, virtual and digital education



- Qualitative and quantitative methods to assess education experiment's success
- Educational frameworks
- Change management for university leadership
- Teachers, students, and administration engagement
- Intercultural education experiences

## Submission process

Interested authors are expected to send their full papers (**4,000 words minimum**) by **September 18<sup>th</sup>**, using the following Microsoft Word template and through the link [https://www.mdpi.com/journal/education/special\\_issues/Experimenting\\_Online\\_Pedagogical\\_Resources](https://www.mdpi.com/journal/education/special_issues/Experimenting_Online_Pedagogical_Resources)

Submit your abstract by **July 21<sup>st</sup>** to register, receive an early response and check suitability for the Special Call. Please find [here](#) instructions for submission.

Full papers may correspond to scientific research articles or reports. In the case of reports, these may be preliminary studies, observations or protocols leading to guidelines for good practices, tutorials, or step-by-step methodological applications.

Either research papers or reports should include the following sections:

- Title
- Abstract (200 words), including background, objectives, methodology, and main results
- Keywords (3 to 10)
- Introduction and background
- Objectives
- Methodology (participants, ethical considerations, evaluated aspects, etc.)
- Results (e.g., interpretation about how results can contribute to digital transformation, e.g., in terms of cooperation, collaboration, etc.)
- Discussion (how results can be related to previous studies, future directions as well as possible limitations)
- Conclusion (main implications for HEIs policy, inter-university cooperation, blended learning, etc.)
- References

To prepare and submit your manuscript, please use the following [Microsoft Word template](#). If preparing manuscripts in LaTeX Template, we encourage you to use the [Education Sciences LaTeX template](#), in which case manuscripts must be collated into one ZIP folder.

Abstracts and full papers will be peer-reviewed for both Conference Participation and Conference Proceedings Publication in Education Sciences (ISSN 2227-7102).

For Conference Participation, Scientific Committee's decision will be communicated in **September 19-25, 2022**, and by end of July if the abstract is submitted.



For Conference Proceedings publication, papers will be peer-reviewed by at least two independent experts through a double-blind process applied by the journal. Review will be based on quality criteria, such as the relevance for the topic of the journal, coherence of the research design and depth of the results discussion. Peer-review decision will be informed by **October 30th**. Authors will be able resubmit the final version including peers' feedback and necessary modifications until **November 30, 2022**, to appear in the Special Issue.

We look forward to receiving your papers and meeting you in Paris!

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### Important dates

	Event	Date
Conference participation	Early bird abstract submission – response by July 25th	July 21 <sup>st</sup>
	Deadline for full paper submission	September 18 <sup>th</sup>
	Acceptance notification for Conference	September 19 <sup>th</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup>
<b>OpenU International Conference in Paris, France (October 13-14, 2022)</b>		
Journal submission	Acceptance notification for proceedings	October 30 <sup>th</sup>
	Communication of evaluation decision	November 15 <sup>th</sup>
	Submission of final version to the journal	November 30 <sup>th</sup>