CHARTER FOR ASSOCIATE PARTNERS

INVITATION TO JOIN ITELAB AS AN ASSOCIATE PARTNER

ITELab[1] seeks to foster innovation and knowledge exchange in *Initial Teacher Education* (ITE) between universities, companies and policymakers. All interested stakeholders are invited to join the ITELab as associate partners[2] to:

- exchange knowledge and ideas with stakeholders through the online ITE Forum;
- participate in the pilots in the Universities and the student teacher MOOC;
- receive an invitation *(one per associate partner)* to participate in the ITELab workshop at European Schoolnet's annual EMINENT conference;
- be recognised as an Associate Partner on the ITELab website and promotional materials.

ITELAB

ITELab is about how student teachers are being prepared for dynamic 21st century classrooms. The project:

1. **monitors** the latest research in this field, and publishes case studies to share ideas and approaches http://itelab.eun.org/research ;

2. **co-designs** with universities and industry partners, innovative new teaching materials (modules) and a self-directed student teacher MOOC, which associate partners are invited to join in the **pilots** in the project;

3. exchanges knowledge, ideas and resources through the **online ITE Forum** discussions, linked under the umbrella of EUN's Future Classroom Lab initiative.

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[1] ITELab (Initial Teacher Education Lab), co-ordinated by European Schoolnet, is a Knowledge Alliance project between higher education institutions and industry to foster innovation and knowledge exchange in initial/pre-service teacher education (ITE).

[2] Note : the Associate Partner (AP) role is unfunded. AP's do not participate in project's General Assembly meetings and do not have voting rights. Attendance at the workshop at EMINENT is self-funded.

ROLE OF ASSOCIATE PARTNERS

Associate partners are invited to **join the Autumn 2019 programme**, with the invitation extended to their respective networks involved in the training of student teachers:

- pilot the new open source course teaching module frameworks and self-directed student teacher MOOC, co-designed and tested in the project, which benefit all ITE educators (relevant to both primary and secondary teachers).

  - the new teaching modules and student teacher MOOC encourage collaboration between student teachers, with an emphasis on the practical application of technology to enhance their teaching pedagogy in the classroom. They are linked to competence frameworks to encourage a lifelong learning approach, with tools for supporting analysis and self-reflection (e.g. Digital Competence Framework for Educators - DigCompEdu and the diagnostic online tool TET-SAT). They help student teachers become aware of the teacher communities and resources available to support them in their future practice (e.g. eTwinning)

  - Listen to what our student teachers have to say about ITELab, and our university and industry partners following the Spring 2018 pilots.

Associate partners are also invited to **join the ITE Forum** which seeks to engage all stakeholders in discussions to foster innovation and knowledge exchange in initial-pre-services education (ITE) by:

- sharing information on different approaches, and existing resources so that they can be incorporated in ITE courses;

- sharing the learning from the pilots and hearing from the student teachers themselves;

- rethinking how ITE curricula can be improved to provide student teachers with the competences they need for technology-enhanced teaching and learning and the design of the future classroom scenarios involving ICT;

- examining the ICT knowledge and competence of teacher educators;

- developing new policy-level initiatives to build better bridges between existing CPD programmes and ITE;

- making recommendations for how EC research programmes can support innovation within ITE.

HOW TO BECOME AN ASSOCIATE PARTNER

If you have any questions regarding the ITELab project and/or if you are interested in becoming one of our Associate Partners, please visit the website http://itelab.eun.org and contact us at info-itelab@eun.org .

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