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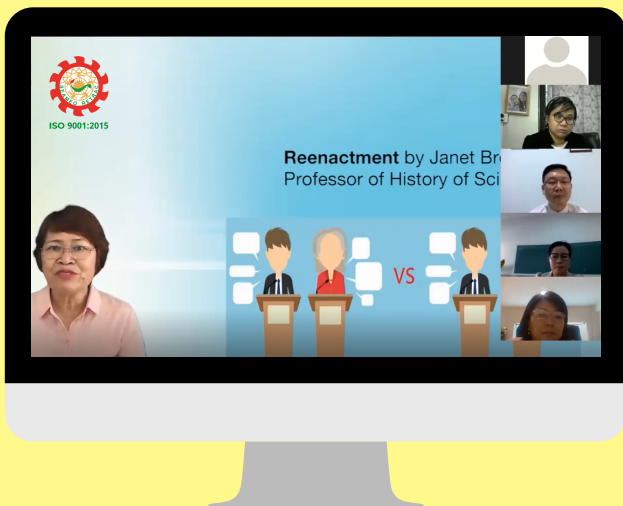
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The participants of the course included 15 trainers, lecturers, and academic staff from department of foreign languages of different universities and colleges as well as teachers from various foreign language centers in Ho Chi Minh City and its nearby provinces. In Day 1 of the course, participants were introduced with ICT applications and supplementary websites to create teaching materials embedded with multimedia content by designing and editing pictures, sounds and videos. Moreover, in Day 2, participants were updated with cutting-edge ICT tools in creating games, quizzes and tests to assess students' understanding during the lesson.

TRAINING COURSE
"ICT Applications in Foreign Language Teaching through the Integration of Multimedia Content"

SEAMEO RETRAC, September 29-30, 2020

With the aim of equipping participants with useful knowledge and skills in applying innovative ICT* tools in teaching foreign languages, the training course on "ICT Applications in Foreign Language Teaching through the Integration of Multimedia Content" was organized from the 29th to the 30th of September, 2020.

*ICT: Information and Communication Technologies



Educational Webinar

"Innovative Solutions to Achieve Quality, Equity and Inclusiveness in Education in Southeast Asia"

OCTOBER 01, 2020



On October 01, 2020, SEAMEO RETRAC organized an educational webinar on “Innovative Solutions to Achieve Quality, Equity and Inclusiveness in Education in Southeast Asia” from 13:30 to 17:00 (Vietnam Time) on the Zoom platform and streamed on Youtube.

The Webinar was conducted back to back with the SEAMEO RETRAC’s 23rd Governing Board Meeting. This year, the Webinar focused on creating a professional platform for educational leaders, educators, scientists, researchers and educational staff to not only be updated with recent and on-going practices in the Southeast Asian region but also to exchange ideas and experience on key issues and challenges of promoting inclusion and equity in education.

Four main sub-themes of the Webinar included (1) reform strategies to address the issues of exclusion as well as promote equity and quality in education; (2) challenges of reform implementation at national and regional levels in terms of educational policies, leadership and management, as well as teaching, learning and assessment to enhance quality in education; (3) capacity building and sustained professional development for teachers, managers and leaders for improving teaching and learning quality; (4) key issues and innovative practices related to distance/online learning modalities during school closures in the COVID-19 educational crisis to ensure the continuity of learning.

Speakers of the Webinar included 05 senior educational leaders from the Ministries of Education of Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand along with 02 invited speakers from British Columbia Council for International Education (BCCIE), Canada and UNESCO Asia-Pacific Regional Bureau for Education, Bangkok, Thailand. The Webinar welcomed 246 participants from Southeast Asian countries.

CAPACITY-BUILDING WORKSHOP

"Strengthening Global Citizenship in Higher Education for Sustainable Development"

October 20-28, 2020



From the 20th to the 23rd of October, 2020, SEAMEO RETRAC organized a 4-day workshop on “Strengthening Global Citizenship in Higher Education for Sustainable Development” under the funding of the Asia-Pacific Centre of Education for International Understanding (UNESCO-APCEIU, South Korea) at the Centre’s premises – 35, Le Thanh Ton, District 1, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.

This workshop not only provided participants with ample opportunities to better understand the concept and principles of Global Citizenship Education (GCED), but also engaged them in insightful discussions to share their experience with other participants from different institutions, colleges and universities in Vietnam about how to contextualize and adopt GCED into their schools’ curriculum and related programs.

Four main topics introduced in each day of the workshop included (1) Introduction of Global Citizenship Education; (2) Contextualization of GCED in the Regional and National Context; (3) Global Citizenship in Higher Education: Challenges and Strategies, and (4) Innovative approaches and methodologies of GCED and Action Plan.

The participants of the workshop included 40 leaders, administrators, educators, and senior teaching staff from different higher education institutions in Vietnam who are working in the areas of GCED, sustainable development, community development and other related areas.

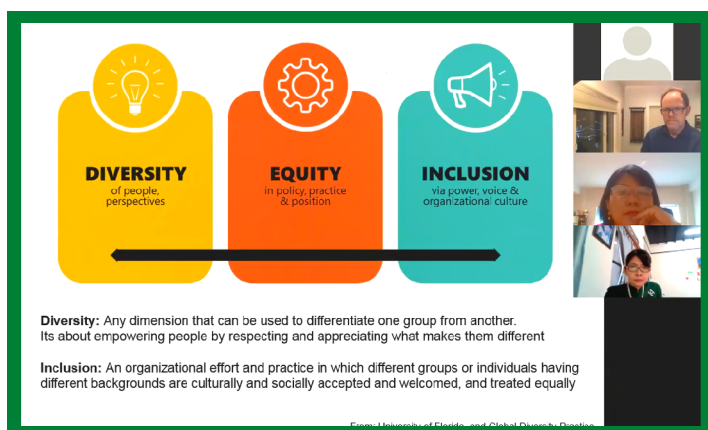
After the four-day face-to-face training course, a virtual forum on SEAMEO RETRAC's Moodle site was conducted within three days for participants to have more chances to discuss issues related to GCED and its best practices at their institutional level as well as gain access to lectures, reading materials and assignments.

Virtual Training Course

“CAPACITY BUILDING IN HIGHER EDUCATION LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT”

for Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar and Vietnam

SEAMEO RETRAC, December 01-11, 2020

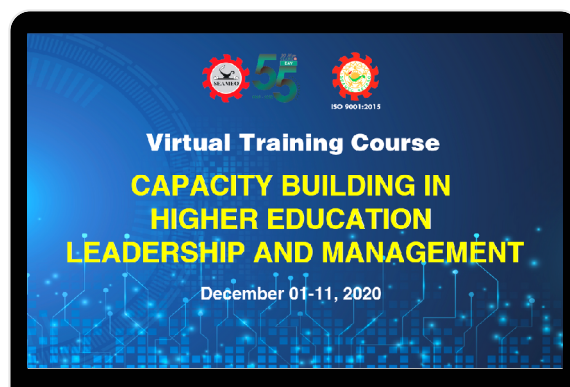


From December 01-11, 2020, SEAMEO RETRAC conducted a virtual international training course on “Capacity Building in Higher Education Leadership and Management”. Participants of the course included 33 leaders and administrators of different higher education institutions from Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar and Vietnam.

This course aimed at equipping participants with updated knowledge and current practices in leadership and management in higher education as well as giving them opportunities to share their experience with other participants and trainers. The topics of discussion covered at the training course included (1) Innovation in educational leadership: influence, empower and engagement for success, (2) Strategic planning and resource development in higher education, (3) Strategies for inspiring positive change in higher education, and (4) Curriculum assessment and evaluation in higher education.

The training course is one of the strategic mission activities annually carried out by SEAMEO RETRAC to support countries in Southeast Asia, especially Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar and Vietnam, in strengthening leadership and managerial capacity for their schools’ leaders.

This year, the course was conducted online on SEAMEO RETRAC’s Moodle site and Zoom platform under the facilitation of Dr. Anita C. Oblina, Senior Education Specialist, SEAMEO RETRAC, Vietnam and Dr. Chris Bottrill, Director, International, Capilano University, Canada. During phase 1 from December 01 to December 04, 2020, participants joined the lecture series on Zoom platform within 4 days. In phase 2 (December 07-11, 2020), participants accessed the SEAMEO RETRAC’s Moodle site to get instructional materials, reply to questions in forum discussion and complete assignments. After fully attending the course and accomplishing the course requirements, participants received the Certificate of Completion.



TRAINING COURSE

INNOVATIVE TEACHING METHODOLOGIES IN HIGHER EDUCATION

December 30-31, 2020

On December 30-31, 2020, SEAMEO RETRAC organized a training course on “Innovative Teaching Methodologies in Education” for 10 participants who are lecturers and academic staff from different universities and colleges in Ho Chi Minh City and its neighboring provinces.

The course focused on two different topics, which were innovative teaching methodologies and ICT applications in teaching. During Day 1, participants were equipped with knowledge of current innovative teaching approaches such as Project-based Teaching and Problem-based Teaching. In Day 2, participants were provided with the knowledge and skills of several cutting - edge ICT tools and practice utilizing them in designing and developing virtual instructional materials, as well as assessing students' performance.



VIRTUAL TRAINING COURSE

"ICT Applications in Foreign Language Teaching through the Integration of Multimedia Content"

January 26-28, 2021



As one of the new training course, a virtual training course on “ICT Applications in Foreign Language Teaching through the Integration of Multimedia Content” will be organized by SEAMEO RETRAC on January 26-28, 2021 for lecturers, and academic staff from Department of Foreign Languages and Foreign Language Centers of different universities and colleges in Ho Chi Minh City and its nearby provinces.

With the aim of providing participants with opportunities to experience online learning while sharpening their computing skills in applying innovative ICT tools in teaching foreign languages, the course has been designed to be conducted on the Zoom platform and SEAMEO RETRAC's Moodle site.

During two days of the training course, participants will be introduced with ICT apps and supplementary websites assisting them to design and edit pictures, sounds and videos as well as to create games, quizzes and tests in assessing students' understanding during the lesson. On Day 3, participants will join the Moodle site to access freely the training materials, reply to the trainer's discussion questions and practice using ICT tools in their lesson.

ICT Applications in Students Assessment and Evaluation

January 28-29, 2021



In order to equip students with knowledge of the ICT applications currently used in the test preparation and in assessment of students' results, SEAMEO RETRAC Center will organize a training course on "ICT Applications in Student Assessment and Evaluation" from the 28th to the 29th of January, 2021.

Participating in the course will be lecturers and academic staff who are interested in the course from various institutions in Ho Chi Minh City and its nearby provinces. In the course, ICT applications introduced to participants will include Quizalize, Socrative, Edulastic, Google Classroom Tools, ForAllRubric, etc.

Deadline for registration:

January 25, 2021

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ICT Applications in Teaching and Course Management

SEAMEO RETRAC, March 24-26, 2021



SEAMEO RETRAC, with funding from the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan (MEXT), will conduct a virtual training course on “ICT Applications in Teaching and Course Management” on March 24-26, 2021 via Zoom Platform.

The trainer of the course is Prof. Dr. Senshu Yoshii, National Institute of Technology, Miyakonojo College. Within the three days of training, participants, who are teaching and academic staff from different universities and colleges in Vietnam, will be provided with opportunities to explore updated ICT tools that can be used in teaching and course development in education.

TRAINING PROGRAMS

Division of Education's aims are to design and develop educational training programs and research projects for domestic, regional and international universities, colleges, and institutions. Some of the highlighted training programs of the Division include: Soft-skills Training, ICT Applications in Teaching, Learning and Classroom Management, Strategy Development and Quality Assurance Implementation, Leadership and Management in Higher Education, Effective Communicative Strategies and Professional Etiquette, Innovative Teaching Methodologies in Education, and Proposal Writing Skills, etc.

Moreover, Division of Education regularly designs training programs according to specific requirements and particular contexts of each school and educational institution to meet their needs.



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INNOVATIVE TEACHING METHODOLOGIES IN EDUCATION



SOFT-SKILLS TRAINING

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