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UNESCO Open Educational Resources (OER) Platform

The paper presents UNESCO Open Educational Resources (OER) Platform, one of the projects realized within the frames of UNESCO OER Programme, offering selected UNESCO publications. The term “open educational resources” (OER) was created at a 2002 UNESCO Global Forum and it refers to learning materials that are in the public domain, or released with an open license that allows users to legally and freely copy, use, modify, and re-share their adaptations.

The author enumerates benefits of OERs, explains what types of licenses are applied to make those materials available and who are UNESCO OERs stakeholders.

The paper presents essential functionalities of the OER Platform such as finding, comparing, building and sharing the content, offline editing and mobile phone access. Special attention paid on first UNESCO OER products entitled “UNESCO Model Curricula for Journalism Education” and “General History of Africa Curricula” from the Culture Sector, available in several different languages.

Biography

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