## UNESCO Chairs / UNITWIN Networks Consultation ReportForm<sup>1</sup>

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<u>Section for Higher Education</u> | Division for Education 2030

### **Basic information**

Date of consultation	[28/02/2020]			
Location of consultation	[Arusha/United Republic of Tanzania			
Hosting UNESCO Chairor UNITWIN Network (include webpage if available)	Science Technology and Innovation (STI) Leadership UNESCO Chair (www.nm-aist.ac.tz)			
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Language of consultation	English			
Time spent in consultation (minutes)	120 minutes			
Number of participants	10 members			
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	5. Prof. Emmanuel Luoga (Male) — Vice Chancellor- NM-AIST representing Professors from Higher Learning Education			
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<sup>1</sup>This template includes some elements used by the consultation developed by <u>The Futures of Education</u> initiative.

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Countries represented by participants	Tanzania	zania				
Stakeholder groups	□ □ □ Professors/	□ □ □ Students/Youth	Higher education	☐ Private sector		
(please mark with an "x" as appropriate)	Researchers  NGOs/civil society	☐ International organisations	managers/authorities  Dolicy makers/government	□□ Others (UNESCO National Commission):		

### Which theme did you choosefor this consultation?

☐ Theme 1: Impact of COVID-19 on higher education	
$\hfill\Box$ Theme 2: Higher education and the SDGs	$\square$ Theme 7: Financing higher education
$\square$ Theme 3: Inclusion in higher education	$\square$ Theme 8: Data and knowledge production
$\square$ $\square$ Theme 4: Quality and relevance of programmes	$\hfill\Box$ Theme 9: International cooperation to enhance synergies
$\hfill\Box$ Theme 5: Academic mobility in higher education	$\square$ Theme 10: The futures of higher education
$\Box$ Theme 6: Higher education governance	$\square$ Other (please, specify):

### **Synthesis of contributions**

Kindly provide asummary, synthesising andreflecting the ideas provided by all participants. There is no need to identify participants. Consultation reports should not exceed1,200 **words**, including the responses to the threequestions outlined below (consider a balance of approximately 400 words per response). If necessary, add attachments. Remember that question 1 is general, but questions 2 and 3 should refer to the specific theme you have chosen (see list in **Annex 1**).

**Question 1:**What should be the present and future role of higher education to favour the wellbeing of humans and sustainability of societies?

- Preparations of Human resources with high capacity to solve society and industrial challenges.
- Preparation of graduates that can employ themselves and create jobs for others.
- Curriculum must be practical oriented geared to solve community problems.
- Universities to focus on offering combination of skills and knowledge in diverse field of studies.
- Programs and curriculum with ability to forecast future scenarios, needs and demands.
- Programs and curriculum to be flexible enough to accommodate new ideas and incorporate elements of innovation and entrepreneurship.

**Question 2**: What are the main challenges/problems/gaps in relation todiversification and flexibility of curriculum, programmes, and courses.

- Minimum diversification of program contents.
- Minimal flexibility of regulatory Authority towards embracing innovation and entrepreneurship context in main Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)programs.
- In adequate resources to support needs assessment, tracer studies, field practical trainings and innovations.
- Non-innovative teaching methodologies and approaches.
- Non-supportive mind-set of stakeholders within the higher education ecosystem pertaining introducing, regulating and supporting innovative changes.
- Weak University- Industry- Market Linkages.
- Unnecessary rigidity in entry qualification when students want to venture new study areas in higher degrees.
- Limited number of staff to teach, supervise and mentor students.

**Question 3**: What needs to change or be created to face these challenges within and/or outside of higher education institutions?

- Education regulation system to allow flexibility and diversification from higher learning education.
- Government to increase amount of funds to university to support both own customised research agenda and innovation acceleration programs.
- Universities to increase the effort of resources mobilization.
- Universities in consultation with Regulators such as Tanzania Commission for Universities (TCU) and National Committee for Technical Education (NACTE) to introduce innovative teaching methodologies and approaches as well as entry qualifications.
- Increase awareness programs towards changing mind-set of stakeholders towards right direction.
- Strengthening University Industry- Market Linkages.

- Quality Assurance System must be emphasised by both Regulators and Universities.
- Government to give special consideration to Universities as far as employment permits are concerned.
- Universities to address the aspect of contact time between theory and practical sessions.

# Which Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were particularly emphasised during this consultation?

☐ Goal 1: No poverty ☐ Goal 2: Zero hunger	☐Goal 7: Affordable and clean energy	☐Goal 12: Responsible consumption and production
☐Goal 3: Good health and wellbeing	☐Goal 8: Decent work and economic growth	☐Goal 13: Climate action ☐Goal 14: Life below water
☐Goal 4: Quality education☐	☐Goal 9: Industry, innovation, and infrastructure ☐	☐Goal 15: Life on land
☐ Goal 5: Gender equality ☐ Goal 6: Clean water and	☐Goal 10: Reduced inequality	☐ Goal 16: Peace and justice strong institutions
sanitation	$\square$ Goal 11: Sustainable cities and communities	☐ Goal 17: Partnerships to achieve the goals ☐

### You may provide additionalfeedback...

Are there any other issues that should be considered in relation to higher education challenges and options in your community, your region, the world? Yes, as summarized below:

Participants also had opportunity to discuss the higher education challenges and prospects and recommend that, before and during execution of the programs the following must be taken into account and given higher priority:

- a) What to be included in the curriculum?
  - Co curricula and extra curricula.
  - Content, teaching methods, assessment procedures.
  - Qualified academic and technical staff.
  - Student support services.
  - Review mechanism including tracer study.
- b) How the curriculum can be formulated and implemented?
  - Conducting situational analysis and market survey.
  - Formulating the principal learning outcomes and job analysis.
  - Formulate the content.
  - Finalize the curriculum.
  - Establish human resources and other infrastructure required to run the programme.
  - Approval process.
- c) Who to teach or supervise?
  - Qualified academic staff as per country requirements.
  - Use of experienced industry staff who don't have qualification to tech as mentors.

- d) Where to be taught class vs field?
  - Use multiple avenues depending with the nature of the programme, usually classrooms, laboratories, site visit, simulation, excursion, fields, internships, apprenticeshipe.t.c.
- e) Time allocation for theory and practicals?
  - Curricula to suggest and specify time to spend in lecture based on the program.
  - Recommended longer time to be spend in practical (more than 50%) in order to increase the graduate competence.
- f) Quality Assurance (QA) issues
  - Student Evaluation of the teaching and learning.
  - QA Office, directorate or bureau available.
  - Inclusion of all stakeholders in QA matters i.e. at department, school, college and University level.
  - Have clear monitoring and evaluation of the teaching and Learning.
  - Have robust institutional Self-Assessment and External Assessment.
  - Staff appraisal must be emphasised and seriously carried out.
  - Programme Review and tracer study must be a compulsory before embarking any new program or curriculum.

Is there any other comment you wish to share with UNESCO or the organisers of the WHEC2022?

UNESCO and other stakeholders within the innovation system to support UNESCO chairs towards executing their roles and supporting institutions through material, technical, financial and linkages.

## **List of participants**[Please, include the moderator (s)]

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