



Seven winners take honors at the Learning Impact 2011 Asia-Pacific Regional Competition in Korea

The IMS Learning Impact Awards (LIAs) 2011 Asia-Pacific Regional Competition, which was recently held in conjunction with "e-Learning Week 2010" culminated with seven winners out of nine contenders from three countries progressing to the global LIA competition next year.

The Learning Impact Awards (LIAs) recognize use of technology in improving learning across all education segments and in all regions of the world. LIA nominations include not only information about the technology, but also how it is used by an education provider. In addition, the entries are evaluated according to eight criteria of impact, including improving access to learning, improving affordability of learning, and improving the quality of learning.

The judges for the regional competition included Dr. Rob Abel, Chief Executive Officer of IMS Global Learning Consortium, Dr. Dae-Joon Hwang, CEO of IMS Korea, and Dr. Inn-Woo Park, a professor at Korea University.

The seven winners of the regional competition are now invited to continue in the global LIA competition which is held in conjunction with IMS Global Learning Consortium's annual conference, Learning Impact 2011 which will be held in Long Beach, California, USA the 16-19 May 2011.

The winners of the IMS Learning Impact Award 2011 Asia-Pacific Regional Competition are:

Organization	Nation	Title
Ngee Ann Secondary School	Singapore	Education Living Lab in Cloud Computing
SK Telecom & 4CSoft	Korea	Integrated Smart Learning Platform
Seoul Cyber University	Korea	Next generation e-learning system of SCU for an effective higher education
Ministry of Education, Science and Technology & SK C&C	Korea	FASTEL(For All Students & Teachers in the E-Learning space)
DUNET	Korea	LTI-enabled e-learning System at the Yeungnam Univ.
KERIS	Korea	Realization of e-textbook through e-Pub
KERIS	Korea	Development of an Open Source Based Learning Design System



About IMS Global Learning Consortium (IMS GLC)

IMS Global Learning is a nonprofit member organization that strives to enable the growth and impact of learning technology in higher education, K-12, and corporate education worldwide. IMS GLC members are leading corporations, higher education institutions, school districts and government organizations who are enabling the future of education by developing interoperability and adoption practice standards for educational and learning technology. IMS GLC sponsors Learning Impact: a global program and conference that recognizes the impact of learning and educational technology on access, affordability, and quality - the world's most significant educational challenges. For more information, visit <http://www.imsglobal.org>

About Korea Education & Research Information Service (KERIS)

The KERIS is a national institution which specializes in enhancing the effective use of ICT in education and research. Established in 1999, KERIS supports the establishment and implementation of ICT in education policies while conducting research and analysis and providing quality education and research information services.

According to the ICT in Education Master Plans I~III of Korea, KERIS has undertaken various initiatives to improve teaching and learning in primary and secondary education: 1) National Teaching-Learning Center-EDUNET, 2) Cyber Home Learning System, 3) Digital Library System, 4) Educational Resource Sharing System, 5) National Education Information System for effective online educational administration, 6) National standardization of educational metadata and quality assurance system.

To enhance the quality of academic research in higher education, KERIS has successfully established and maintained the Research Information Service System. Also, KERIS has sought to promote international exchanges and cooperation to narrow the global digital divide in education by supporting developing countries in using ICT in education and organizing international seminars and joint projects. visit <http://english.keris.or.kr>

About IMS Korea

IMS Korea is an organization in which KERIS and representative businesses leading the e-Learning market have participated and carried out various activities to develop international and national standards as well as group standards. At present, KERIS is in charge of operating the secretariat, and its members include SK C&C, DUNet, 4CSoft, CTUnion, Ubion, SigongMedia, Seoul Cyber University, Hanyang Cyber University, Kyunghee Cyber University, Korea Cyber University, and SungKyunKwan University. IMS Korea has maintained close collaborative relationships with IMS GLC and performed the following activities.

The activities of IMS Korea are:

- Operating IMS Korea projects group in accordance with the projects of IMS GLC
- Developing a business model and creating a new e-learning market
- Fostering Korea's e-learning professionals and providing consulting
- Supporting e-learning standards (IMS or KS) application agencies
- Forming foundation for the future launch of Asia-Pacific IMS (Tentative name)

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