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We wish to thank the UNESCO Chair holders and the Network Coordinators who responded to our invitation. Hopefully, the following information, organized by SDG, will trigger dialogue and possibly collaborations across the world.

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UNESCO Chair in Information and Communication Technologies in Education

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Current areas of activity
• Artificial Intelligence and Education
• Intelligent Tutoring Systems

Futures activities to address the SDGs
• Educational Software Development
• Development of reports about science and technologies for education
• PhD and MSc supervision (Brazilian, African and Latin American students)
• Cooperation and support to creation of new PhD programs in Mozambique and Uruguay
UNESCO Chair on Copyright and Neighboring Rights

Renmin University

Current areas of activity

• Diploma Education and Research on Copyright and Neighboring Rights
• Intellectual Support for Improving the Protection System of Copyright and Neighboring Rights
• Training on Copyright and Neighboring Rights for Practitioners

Future activities to address the SDGs

• Research on the Relation between Copyright Protection and Social Innovation
• Promoting the Development of the Culture Industry Through Copyright Education
• Promoting the Balance between innovation incentive and knowledge diffusion

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China
Chaire UNESCO en pratiques émergentes en technologies et communication pour le développement

Université Bordeaux Montaigne

Domaine principal des activités en cours
• Technologies mobiles et développement
• Communication pour le développement
• Objets connectés et développement

Activités futures liées aux ODDs
• Formations sur les technologies et le développement (Côte d’Ivoire, Bénin, Burkina Faso)
• Colloque sur l’intelligence spatiale et le développement
• Publications sur les technologies émergentes et le développement.

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UNESCO Chair on Media and Information literacy and Media Education of Citizens

Moscow State Pedagogical University

Current areas of activity
- Developing MIL indicators and test runs among school and university students
- Creating MIL mobile app for teachers
- Developing MIL learning and study guides

Future activities to address the SDGs
- Developing and promoting MIL in Russia and partner countries
- Organizing all-Russia MIL academic competition

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**UNESCO Chair on New Materials and Technologies**

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**Current areas of activity**

- Build resilient infrastructures, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation
- Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all

**Future activities to address the SDGs**

- Research on nanodisperse systems formation processes in plasma of vacuum-arc discharges and their characteristics
- Application of synthesised products in composite materials on the basis of superconducting, ceramic, polymeric and metal matrixes
- Improvement and introduction of created didactics of sustainable development
UNESCO Chair in Computer Integrated Manufacturing

39th session
UNESCO General Conference 2017

Galatasaray University

Turkey

Current areas of activity

• The laboratory affiliated to the Chair offers research and education of advanced manufacturing techniques
• Recently organised a training program on robotics and sensors for high school students

Future activities to address the SDGs

• Focus on the smart factories of the future, investigate and solve related problems within the context of sustainable industrialisation
• Provide know-how to SMEs and conduct joint research projects
• Strengthen the ties with the industry by organising focused training programs in collaboration with Galatasaray University Entrepreneurship and Innovation Centre
UNESCO Chair on Automated Information Technology

Samarkand institute of Economics and service

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Current areas of activity
• Application of ICT in education
• Supporting website of institute
• Introduction of pedagogical technology

Future activities to address the SDGs
• Establishing partnerships with IT companies
• Establishing partnerships with higher education institutions
• Preparation of scientific potential teachers
• Participation in international scientific conferences
• Call IT staff for master training
• Participation in development of legal acts in the field of ICT