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INTERNATIONALISATION OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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OUTLINE AND PURPOSE

- Internationalisation of higher education
 - definition
 - examples
 - current agenda
- Presentation is intended to provide a brief overview of the topic, and to catalyse thinking in advance of breakout discussions



WHAT IS INTERNATIONALISATION OF HIGHER EDUCATION?

'the intentional process of integrating an international, intercultural or global dimension into the purpose, functions and delivery of post-secondary education, in order to enhance the quality of education and research for all students and staff, and to make a meaningful contribution to society'.

European Parliament,
quoted in <https://www.eaie.org/blog/whats-in-a-name-refocusing-internationalisation-of-higher-education.html>



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WHAT IS INTERNATIONALISATION OF HIGHER EDUCATION?

- In learning/teaching
 - outbound travel
 - international students
 - internationalising the curriculum
 - internationalisation at home
- In research/scholarship
 - abroad and/or domestically
 - connections with students' research degrees
- In service/community
 - various stakeholders



WHAT IS INTERNATIONALISATION OF HIGHER EDUCATION?

- Within universities
 - individual professors
 - units (academic, research, etc.)
 - university-level
 - *Comprehensive internationalisation* is 'a strategic, coordinated process that seeks to align and integrate policies, programs, and initiatives to position colleges and universities as more globally oriented and internationally connected institutions'.

American Council on Education, <https://www.acenet.edu/Research-Insights/Pages/Internationalization/CIGE-Model-for-Comprehensive-Internationalization.aspx>



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CHANGES TO SUPPORT STUDENTS' INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

No longer

- *similar themes emerged*

New initiatives

- online and virtual ...
 - activities, collaborations, conferences, counselling, courses, delivery, events, exchange, experiences, initiatives, internships, learning, lectures, meetings, mobility, platforms, programmes, sessions, summer schools, teaching, training, workshops
- blended, hybrid
- `... preparing for life after the pandemic ...`



CHANGES TO SUPPORT INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

No longer

- *similar themes emerged*

New initiatives

- *similarly, 'online' and 'virtual'*
- consortia, networks
- strategy
 - *'... achieving our goals ...'; '... key partners ...'*
- effectiveness
 - *'... cheaper than travel ...'; '... much more efficient ...'*



THINKING ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY OF THE FUTURE, AND THE ROLE OF INTERNATIONALISATION THEREIN

- On my agenda:
 - risks and resiliency
 - why? what is important?
 - opportunities and constraints



BREAKOUT GROUPS

- Breakout groups with peers
- After introductions, questions to stimulate discussion about internationalisation of higher education
- Chatham House Rule
 - ‘... participants are free to use the information received, but neither the identity nor the affiliation of the speaker(s), nor that of any other participant, may be revealed.’
 - <https://www.chathamhouse.org/about-us/chatham-house-rule>
- One representative to share something (two minutes maximum) when we reconvene in about 40 minutes
- Have a great discussion!

