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New partners in Australia and India strengthen global support for members



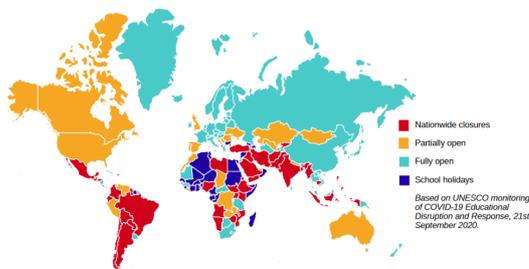
UK NARIC has set up new partnerships with experienced international educationists in Australia and India, to strengthen our support for members in Australasia and South Asia, and further develop our global presence.

We have appointed Sydney-based Dr Greg Keaney to act as an independent consultant for UK NARIC in Australia and New Zealand. Greg is an international education professional with 30 years experience.

In India, our new independent consultants are New Delhi-based JJ Nandi and Satish Sharma of MB Educational Concepts (MBEC). JJ and Satish have operated in international education for over 20 years, including work with the British Council in New Delhi.

There are opportunities to e-meet Greg, JJ and Satish as they host live online discussion panels from Australia and India as part of our GlobalEd Forum, running 30 November to 10 December. [READ MORE](#)

Charting the impact of COVID-19 on education



The UK NARIC research team continues to track announcements on school closures and exam arrangements worldwide, and to publish these as announcements are made on the [UK NARIC blog](#).

At the time of writing this news story - 22 September - the latest figures from UNESCO indicated that 52 countries have closed schools and universities at a

Our GlobalEd Forum: live online events, discussion panels, 30 Nov to 10 Dec

To further broaden our web-based resources for members during the continuing COVID difficulties, UK NARIC is launching 2 weeks of online talks, topical mini-training sessions, and live discussion panels, to run from 30 November to 10 December.

Our UK NARIC GlobalEd Forum is an international online event that will run across time zones, with live discussions hosted from the UK and also from our new support bases in India and Australia. *[See lead story, left.]*

In addition to live events, members can also visit our Forum web pages any time and view a selection of 'Bites' - short pre-recorded 15-minute video briefings and mini-training sessions - easily digested and fitted into your day.

Members will receive, free, an 'access all areas' online pass for the entire 2-week event. You can register your interest now: events@naric.org.uk Non-members can also email this address to purchase a pass for just £99+VAT. [READ MORE](#)

New themed webinar Course Packs launched



UK NARIC has launched a series of webinar [Course Packs](#). Each pack comprises a set of recorded UK NARIC training webinars, selected by our lead trainers around a central theme, to make a coherent online mini-course that can be done anytime.

The new packs give an easy-to-purchase, low-cost, and easy-to-use training option for credential evaluators and admissions teams. The content is focused and relevant. [READ MORE](#)

Autumn webinars: Nigeria, Indonesia sessions next up

national level. At the peak in April, 193 countries were affected by closures.

Our most recent update shows that A Level exams in Sri Lanka have [READ MORE](#)

UK NARIC signs MoU with Australia-based THE-ICE



International Centre of Excellence in **Tourism and Hospitality Education (THE-ICE)**

A Memorandum of Understanding has been created between UK NARIC and the Australia-based International Centre of Excellence in Tourism and Hospitality Education (THE-ICE) with a view to supporting the benchmarking and improving the quality of qualifications.

The Memorandum will also see UK NARIC and THE-ICE exchange expertise and work towards combined accreditation procedures. [READ MORE](#)

Briefing on the Nigerian education system

– an interactive webinar



UK NARIC's Zoom-based Autumn Series of webinars is moving into its second month in October with sessions coming up on *Nigeria* and *Indonesia*. As was the case in September, all of these sessions will take place at the same time each week (10.00am UK time on Wednesdays) and can be booked through the [training schedule web page](#).

Members may use their pre-paid places for this online training; contact your account manager for details. Non-members: email events@naric.org.uk to book.

The first session on 7 October is entitled *Briefing on the upper secondary and higher education system in Nigeria*. [READ MORE](#)



UK NARIC joins online Erasmus+ conference

This year's Erasmus+ conference moved online and over two mornings, participants were able to hear about the impact of the programme on all sectors of UK education. On day 2, Katherine Latta, UK NARIC's Head of European Programmes, joined a panel discussion on the impact of Erasmus+ on vocational education and training. [READ MORE](#)



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