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#### Abstract

A fundamental characteristic for an individual to actively participate in a society is to be literate (Martin, 2008). Consequently, digital literacy is an essential quality in our era. The European Commission (2013b) reported that by 2030 90% of jobs will require digital skills. In September 2013 the European Commission announced the  $\|\hat{a}\| \approx \|\hat{a}\| \hat{A}\| \hat$ 

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#### 1.1 Introduction

Throughout the human history, there are four great information ages that have transformed how we communicate as well as changed the societies we live in. Robert Darnton identified these epochs as:

- 1. Invention of Writing (4000BCE)
- 2. Movable Types (9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> Century China)
- 3. Mass Printing (19th Century)
- 4. Internet Age (22<sup>nd</sup> April 1993)

These advances in communication have had a noticeable effect on education. The movable types took the control of printing from priests, scholars and the law (Davidson, 2014). Cathy Davidson suggests that during the age of mass printing, books were no longer leisure for the elite in the society. Middle class people were now in a position to afford and share books amongst themselves. She argues that in America the middle class people preferred to read novels, these novels usually mirrored a social structure that was more familiar to them than what the elite books presented. This is a very interesting dynamic that is identical to the internet age. When the internet was made a public commodity and with the advances of Web 2.0 technologies, anyone with internet access can individually or collectively publish, share images, videos and other digital resources (Bennette et al, 2012). All these movements have disseminated the power that was concentrated with particular people in the society such as priests, scholars and governments. This has resulted in greater distribution, participation and collaboration to produce information.

The same is applicable to educational institutions and higher education in particular. During the Industrial Revolution, learning was associated with schooling (Collins and Halverson, 2010). The aim was mass production of workforces that were intelligent enough to accumulate skills, knowledge and information throughout their schooling \$\begin{array}{c} \cdot \cdot \hat{A} \cdot

feed the chickens (students). The information is thrown at students, whom are then assessed through formative or summative assessment to determine how much of the information they have digested before sending them to the next level. The government took control of schooling and imposed policies such as No Child Left Behind Act (2002) in the US. This reinforced the need for assessment of learning with more standardised, multiple-choice and short answer evaluations (Collins and Halverson, 2010). So the question remains; if higher education authorities do not act fast will the time come when they are no longer the most important source for learning, professional development and academic achievements?

Commercial enterprises have embraced technology to know as much as possible about their customers so as to influence their decisions and behaviour by providing customised experience. Educational institutions however have been heavily criticised for not embracing information technology and for educating the new generation for our past (Davidson, 2014). Since the advancement of the internet and information technologies employers are increasingly seeking to employ staff who are digitally literate, and indeed the healthcare profession is no exception. Employers are seeking people who are able to think critically, problem-solve, communicate and source information through the various media available and learn to learn (Collins and Halverson, 2010). This assumes the responsibility on the individual to be a lifelong learner and have the necessary skills and understanding of important issues relating to privacy, security, sustainability of information on the internet, and credibility of information online (Davidson, 2014).

In the hype of the dot-com movement many higher education institutions decided to benefit from the financial gains, except one private University (Abelson, 2008). Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) announced in 2001 that they would be doing the opposite to the movement and make all their course material freely available to anyone on the web through OpenCourseWare. Based on the success of T OY A A No. 100 A No. 100

<sup>3</sup>Teaching, learning, and research resources that reside in the public domain or have been released under an intellectual property license that permits their free use or re-purposing by others. Open educational resources include full courses, course materials, modules, textbooks, streaming videos, tests, software, and any other tools, materials, or techniqueVXHGWRVXSRUWDFFHVVWRNQRØHGJH′ (Page 4)

There is no denying that by offering free educational resources there will be some promotional element to attract future students (Bossu et al., 2012; Goodfellow and Lea, 2013). The writer has a marketing and communication background with knowledge, experience and interest in video production, use of social media and website management. Considering what is currently evolving in higher education and the national and international attention in promoting OERs the writer decided to develop a video-based OERs for a privately owned, not for profit, third-level educational provider with five international campuses. The institute is a small unit that consist of 21 staff, dedicated in providing third-level education for healthcare professionals. It delivers programmes at three international campuses and may have up to 475 international students registered annually.

The change project consisted of developing educational videos relating to leadership, management, healthcare and education. Knowledge experts from the institute would be approached to act as video presenters. Once the videos have

been produced they will be distributed using various media channels. Sharing of knowledge is at the heart of any academic tradition (Bossu et al, 2012; Goodfellow and Lea, 2013) so the OER is embracing and empowering this tradition further.

In the following paragraphs of this chapter the writer will discuss the nature of the change, provide context and rationale for implementing the change, and address the aims and objectives of the change before concluding.

The next chapter will furnish the reader with the literature review; chapter three will discuss the methods and methodology; followed by an evaluation chapter and concluded by discussing the change project in the last chapter.

# 1.2 Nature of Change

The attempt of this project was to produce a series of educational videos, by tapping  $\div{d}_{1} \div{d}_{2} \div{d}_{3} \div{d}_{4} \d$ 

# 1.3 Context and Rationale for Implementing the Change

On an organisational level and at the time of initiating the change project, the college had launched its five year strategic plan. The writer believed that the proposed change project was in line with all five strategic goals by fostering lifelong learning, maximising the use of technology to support the delivery of learning, attracting students from new geographies, further developing the international recruitment and marketing strategy, conducting research into education practices and technology, consider how di\* \*\*\text{Ar\*} \text{Ar\*} \tex

stronger ties with the alumni. All of these strategic goals and objectives were based on values.

It is argued that many publicly funded educational institutions have contributed to the OER movement due to its public outreach mission since they receive funding to support the operation of their institutions  $\hat{Q}$   $\hat$ 

On a international level the UNESCO has been promoting the OER for the last ten years as a fundamental human right act since education is key to dialogue, social and economic development and peace (UNESCO, 2014). Furthermore leading international universities worldwide were actively engaging in developing full courses of OER known as Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) and Small Private Open Courses (SPOCs). These courses were facilitated by the educator through the use of

# 1.4 Aims and Objectives

The overall aim of the change project was the production of new video-based open educational resources in a private third level institution.

Peter Drucker has been attributed with the concept of SMART objectives (Bogue, 2005). Each letter is an acronym for a key attribution when setting objectives: specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and timely (Cole et al, 2010). The aims for this project have been set to be achieved within the timeframe allowed for the MSc programme and were as follows:

- 1. Produce a total of eleven videos that shows each faculty member addressing a topic of their expertise
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- Disseminate the videos on different platforms and through various social networks
- 5. Provide future recommendations

#### 1.5 Conclusion

Changes and advances in information technology has revolutionised how we communicate and seek information and learning. These have led to shifts in powers from presets, scholars and governments to more collaborative and distributed forms of creation and distribution of learning. Over the last decade educational institutions have been heavily criticised for being trapped in the past. Commercial entities have embraced technology to better understand their customers and deliver a personalised experience. Higher education is now undergoing changes with the

governmental and international support to embrace digital literacy and move towards customised learning.

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The overall aim of the project was to produce video-based OER in a private thirdlevel institution. The aim was set to be achieved by identifying SMART objectives. The next chapter will cover the literature review on OER.

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#### 2.1 Introduction

The Open Education Resources (OER) initiative is not a new approach to learning as we may think it is - • \$\frac{3}{8} \( \hat{A} \) \( \frac{4}{1} \) \( \frac{4}{1} \) \( \hat{A} \) \( \cdots \) \( \frac{4}{1} \) \( \cdots \)

This chapter will present and critically discuss the relevant literature on the topic of OER. The discussion will centre on a review of the development of OER coupled with an evaluation of the benefits and challenges in developing and designing OER for Higher Education. In particular the focus of the discussion will centre on the development and use of video-based OER, which is the approach taken to OER within this change project.

# 2.2 Search Strategy

The literature review was conducted by reviewing specialised journals in education technology such as British Journal of Education Technology, ALT- Research in Learning Technology, JOLT. Journal of Online Learning and Teaching and  $\hat{O}[\{]^*C^*\}^* \hat{A} = \hat{A} =$ 

in healthcare and digital literacy in healthcare from 2010. The rational for covering the last four years is because open educational resources have advanced greatly over the last few years with many of the challenges addressed and others evolved. A recent literature review published in 2014 by Wiley et al captures key of the points relevant to OER. The amount of publications available on this topic is overwhelming with a good mixture of research and grey literature. Titles, abstracts of 250 articles and tables of content were reviewed to identify the most relevant articles.

#### 2.3 Evolution of OER

The advances of internet have created a platform where formal and informal learning resources are available to anyone. Brown and Adler (2008) argue that the most noticeable impact of the internet on education has been Open Educational Resources (OER). The OER movement has attracted significant funding worldwide (DeVries, 2013; Hockings et al, 2012, Wiley and Gurrell, 2009) and support from organisations such as UNESCO that hosted the Paris OER Declaration in 2012 urging members of state to foster and facilitate the use and development of OER (UNESCO, 2012). In 2011 the European Commission appointed former Irish President Ms Mary McAleese as Chairman of a high-level European group on improving third level education in Europe (RTE, 2012).

As part of its recommendation the group identified OER to be an important enabler for learning that provides essential changes in the education sector and expands education beyond its traditional formats (European Commission, 2012a) and offers opportunities to reshape EU education (European Commission, 2012b).

 levels of openness (Reed, 2012; Hilton III et al, 2010; Tuomi, 2013). One of the well \}[\_, } \(\delta\_{\alpha}^{\frac{1}{4}} \delta\_{\alpha}^{\frac{1}{4}} \delta\_{\alpha}^{\frac{1}{4}}

- Re-use. Is the basic level that allows free use of all or part of the resource without editing it.
- Redistribute. The resources can be shared with others
- Revise . The resources can be adapted, translated and change their medium
- Remix . Various open resources can be combined and mixed to create a new resource

#### 2.4 Methods and Mediums of delivering OER

The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation have identified OER to be:

Wheaching, learning and research resources that reside in the public domain or have been released under an intellectual property license that permits their free use or re-purposing by others. OER include full courses, course materials, modules, textbooks, streaming videos, tests, software and any other tools, materials or techniques used to support access to knowledge. In the public domain or have been released under an intellectual property license that permits their free use or re-purposing by others. OER include full courses, course materials, modules, textbooks, streaming videos, tests, software and any other tools, materials or techniques used to support access to knowledge. In the public domain or have been released under an intellectual property license that permits their free use or re-purposing by others. OER include full courses, course materials, modules, textbooks, streaming videos, tests, software and any other tools, materials or techniques used to support access to knowledge. In the public domain of the publ

As identified above the Open Educational Resources could be any individual learning materials such as videos, slides, textbooks and full courses open to be reused, redistributed, revised and remixed for learning and to support learning.

The digital growth, broadband and internet speed have over the last five years contributed to growth of the use of videos (Clifton and Mann, 2011). YouTube, which is a repository user-generated content, includes all kinds of videos and attracts more than 1 billion unique users to YouTube each month to watch over 6 billion hours (YouTube, 2013). The YouTube website also suggests that mobile viewers make up almost 40% of YouTube's global watch time. YouTube statistics also indicate that hundreds of millions of devices have access to YouTube and 100 hours of video are

The amount of resources available on the internet makes it very challenging for the student to evaluate the quality and accuracy of information available (Merrigan and Sprakel, 2013). It is therefore argued that educators should act as facilitators for |^ae} a\* \*Ae\* a\*A\*^c^|[] A\*c\* a\*^} a\*A\*^c\* A\*[A\*^a\*\*\*A\*] A\*^\* A\*^\* A\*A\*^\* A\*A\*

long (40 minutes) or a recording of actual face-to-face sessions (Pan et al, 2012 Find • [ \* | &^ • DÁ @&@å [ ^ • Áæ-^ & Á [ @ææā] } Áæ) å Á č å^} æ þææ² } æā } ÈÁ

What has been evident from the literature is that OER is any learning material available on the internet for learning or to support learning. The advancement of broadband, internet speed and public sites such as YouTube have made it possible for anyone with internet access to create videos. YouTube currently hosts 6 million hours of videos. This makes it very challenging for students to determine which content is accurate and reliable. Consequently, educators need to equip students with digital literacy skills so they are able to search, use and critique the learning materials available on the internet.

### 2.5 Benefits of Open Educational Resources

A prerequisite for healthcare professionals is to take responsibility for their learning and professional development in an ever changing environment and technological advancement (Murdoch-Eaton and Whittle, 2012). They argue that in order for health professionals to be successful in their career they need to have lifelong learning skills. Lifelong learners are characterised by the passion to learn, willingness to engage in learning and the ability to learn, unlearn and relearn (Dunlap and Lowenthal, 2011). Web 2.0 technologies such as social networking, resource sharing and mobile devices will assist students to acquire necessary skills for lifelong learning such as self-directed learning, self-discipline, ability to manage work alone, time manage, and learn independently (Dunlap and Lowenthal, 2011); Kukulska-Hulme, 2012). Many of the OER platforms, and more specifically the MOOC type of OER, relies on these types of technologies in the delivery of their courses, with the main objective being to support learning (McKerlich et al, 2013).

Massive Open Online Courses (MOOC) over the last few years such as Coursera, Udacity and edX which are more business models of OER (Marshall, 2013; Daniel, 2012; Giannakos, 2013). These courses are usually delivered over a period of four to ten weeks with hundreds or thousands of students signed up from all walks of life. V@ A\(\hat{A}\) \(\hat{A}\) \(

As we are moving from industrial societies to knowledge societies the social functions of education changes according to Tuomi (2013). He suggests that social stratification is networked, hierarchical and informational and that productivity includes continuous learning, meaning processing and knowledge creation. Personal development is recognised through the realization of human capabilities, increasing capability to realize value and make choices. The literature has suggested that OER plays an important role to match the needs of the knowledge society where knowledge is acquired not only in traditional university setting but through diverse and varied means (Tuomi, 2013; Rubens and Counotte, 2012; European Commission, 2012b). The new generation entering higher education and the market industry demand different approaches to learning (Kukulska-Hulme, 2012) as they require rapid access, fast rewards, are impatient with linear thinking and have demonstrated skills of multi-tasking (Jones et al, 2010). Employers are recruiting employees who can contribute immediately to the institution (Murdoch-Eaton and Whittle, 2012).

It is evident from the literature that OER offers an economical advantage for those who are less advantaged and are not in a position to pay the tuition fees and cost of education (European Commission, 2012a; Johnson et al, 2010; Bossu et al, 2012; Barber et al, 2013; Murphy, 2012; Marshall, 2013; Wiley et al, 2014). OER also offers the opportunity for supplementary learning outside the classroom (Masterman, 2011).

 et al, 2011; Wiley and Gurrell, 2009; Wiley et al, 2014), and enables ongoing connections with alumni and encourages innovation (Rosell-Aguilar, 2013). Masterman et al, (2011) outlined that despite the fact that OER can add richness to educational programmes and allow educators to benchmark their material and incorporate other materials outside their area of expertise, educators need to preserve their teaching voice.

Johnson et al (2014) has identified Learning Analytics as a significant development in educational technology for the coming year. Learning Analytics is defined as:

\*\*Make measurement, collection, analysis, and reporting of data about learners and their contexts, for purposes of understanding and RSWLPLVLQJ OHDUQLQJ DQG WKH HQMURQPHQWV LQ KLFK LW RFFMV (Siemens et al, 2011, p.4).

This type of data has been used by businesses to develop a deeper understanding about consumer trends, behaviour and background (Johnson et al, 2014). The Horizon Report suggests that Higher Education has the opportunity and potential to gain insight about student interaction with online resources (Johnson et al, 2014). This is an educational goldmine that offers opportunities to understand how students learn (Mostow and Beck, 2006) and to improve and support student experience and learning. The Learning Analytics seeks to inform pedagogical decisions (Clow, 2012; Johnson et al, 2014; Marshall, 2013) and provide personalised learning (Greller and Drachsler, 2012).

OER is beneficial for the users who may be educators as well as organisations. It supports lifelong learning, a key characteristic for health professionals. It responds to c@ Á^, Á^} \[A^\* \] \[A^\* \]

# 2.6 Challenges of OER

Despite government and international support for OER and its continued growth and success, the OER movement still has some issues that remain unsolved (Bossu, 2012). Institutional ownership such as intellectual property, copyright and licensing have been a major challenge. Some argue that the essence and core of academic tradition is to share and give back to the community (Bossu et al, 2012; Wiley et al, 2014; Wiley, 2010; Brown and Adler, 2008). Yet, intellectual property and the idea of giving away knowledge for free remains an issue (Bossu et al, 2012; Marshall, 2013).

Licensing and copyright have been a challenge (Reed, 2012; Wiley and Gurrell, 2009; Rolfe, 2012; McKerlich et al, 2013) which can at times be confusing, especially for those intending to re-use the resources (DeVries, 2013; Richter and McPherson, 2012). The Creative Commons (CC), founded in 2001 has addressed this obstacle and facilitated content creators to license their resources to make them freely available (Hilton III et al, 2010; Reed, 2012, Creative Commons, 2013; Bissell, 2009). The Creative Commons is estimated to have licensed 350 million works by 2009. YouTube, Vimeo, Flickr and Wikipedia have adapted Creative Commons (CC) licenses which has resulted in a tremendous impact on the number of CC resources available (Reed, 2012).

The other institutional challenge is the sustainability of OER (DeVries, 2013; Rolfe, 2012; Reed, 2012; Wiley et al, 2014), not only financially but to have commitment from the knowledge experts (Rolfe, 2012). Rolfe suggests that staff are currently involved in OER as volunteers and it is a bottom-up initiative in institutions (Reed, 2012) that lacks management support on a strategic level and recognition (Bossu et al, 2012; Reed, 2012, Murphy, 2012). The culture in higher education will need a paradigm shift to embrace technology in education (Barber, 2013) and embed OER in its culture to create a central channel for resource sharing (Reed, 2012; Murphy, 2012; Rolfe, 2012; Masterman et al, 2011).

UNESCO (2012), reports that society has negative views towards mobile learning and considers mobile devices to be distributive. Wiley and Gurrell (2009) suggest

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Hilton III (2010) suggests that unless OER are searchable and retrievable then they should not be made available. There is however evidence, that some OER  $||\text{ae}||_{1} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{$ 

The main challenge of OER is the perception of the need to guard intellectual property. Senior management in an educational institution are paramount in strategically shifting the mindset to embrace OER. Creative Commons has addressed many of the issues relating to copyright but further research is needed to improve the search ability and sustainability of OER.

#### 2.7 Conclusion

There is no doubt regarding the tremendous international focus and attention the OER has received over the last decade. The  $\mathfrak{C}^1\{A_0^{-1}^{-1}^{-1}\}^{\bullet} \bullet \bullet \bullet + \text{usually refers to cost}$  and the ability to use, re-use and distribute the learning material. However, recent models of OER such as MOOCs and SPOCs have been designed as part of a business model to address the sustainability challenge facing OER. Through this movement a new and very important research area has emerged, learning analytics.  $\mathring{S}^{\bullet} \stackrel{\circ}{\Rightarrow} \mathring{A}^{\bullet} \stackrel{\bullet}{\Rightarrow} \mathring{A}^{\bullet} \stackrel{\circ}{\Rightarrow} \mathring{A}^{\bullet} \stackrel{\circ}{\Rightarrow} \mathring{A}^{\bullet} \stackrel{\circ}{\Rightarrow} \mathring{A}^{\bullet}$ 

Despite the international focus, support and funding that the OER movement has received it still has some challenges to overcome. One of the most critical challenges is intellectual property and the resistance to the notion of giving knowledge for free. In many cases the OER initiative was championed by staff and bottom-up activity.

However, for this movement to realize its potential it requires support from the management in higher education, as well as staff recognition and changes in present culture.

In this chapter we also reviewed literature about video-based learning and provided some interesting figures around the use of YouTube in general as well as in the educational context. It was evident from the literature that educators should act as facilitators for learning and equip their students with the skills that meets the needs of knowledge societies.

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#### 3.1 Introduction

In this chapter the author will outline the organisational change as the change agent, provide an insight into some organisational models, give a rationale for selecting a change model and elaborate on the various stages of the change model in the context of the change project. The chapter is concluded by drawing on the key findings from the change.

# 3.2 Organisational Change

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redundancy policies to have a workforce with the desired values and attitudes. This can be a lengthy process and may be problematic. Lastly, organisations may decide to change the strategy. But how can change be planned and implemented? This will be discussed in the next section by providing an overview of various change models available.

Senior and Swailes offer a very useful table that reflects how management research has developed in addressing change over the past 50 or 60 years based on Oswick et al (2005) research. Initially, change was seen to have a start and end point similar  $\{A_{N}^{*}, A_{N}^{*}, A_{N}^{*}, A_{N}^{*}\}$  and  $A_{N}^{*}$  and

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The quote clearly puts people within the organisation at the heart of the change process. Oswick et al (2005) suggest that contemporary OD approach is done through constructive discussion, with less tangible outcomes and more focus on reputation and brand. Unlike the previous approach, people at all levels in the organisation are involved to initiate and drive change.

# 3.3 Overview of Change Models

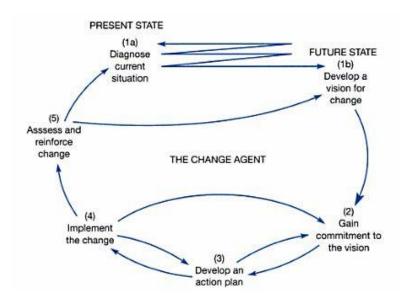
Organisational Development (OD) is a process that facilitates organisations to implement change and operates on an individual, group and organisational level (Senior and Swailes, 2010). They continue to suggest that the OD process can be perceived as a collection of functions and techniques used selectively or combined to assist organisations to move through the necessary phases to implement and sustain change. In 1947, Lewin identified one of the earliest models of change,

mainly the three-phase model of change, Unfreezing, Moving and Refreezing. Kotter ~ lo@ lás^ç^|[] ^å ÁŠ^, ā q ÁU ÖÁs) å Á ã @Á^~~^ ^} cadá c^] • Ás@ec Á cado Á ão@Á • cada [ã @ā \* Á a sense of urgency, forming a guiding coalition, creating a vision, communicating the vision, empowering others to act on the vision, planning for and creating short-term wins, consolidating improvements and producing still more change and institutionalising new approaches. Kotter argues that skipping any step will only give the delusion of speeding the change process and will never lead to a satisfying [č&]{^ÁQS[cc^\ÉÁFJJÍDĚÁ/@^ÁP^æ|c@ÁQ^\çã&^•ÁÔ¢^&`cãç^q-ÁQPÙÒDÁ&@æ);\*^Á;[å^|Á further recognises the complexity of change and healthcare systems. Although it has four main elements, initiation, planning, implementation and mainstreaming, each category consists of subcategories and guidance to implement the various stages. The HSE OD model recognises how the different elements of change are ā, c^;;^|æe^a Ása} a Ása ^ Ása^ Ása^ ] ^} a^} cÁ ] [ } Á, ^[ ] | ^ Ás@e) \* ā, \* cÁQP Ù Ò É GO 08 p.4). While this to some extent is true a lot depends on the leadership approach used to lead the change. The Senior and Swailes change model recognises the importance of the person leading the change, the change agent. The change agent is represented at the centre of their change model. Unlike the HSE model, it highlights the necessary efforts and research needed before embarking on change initiation and vision building. Accordingly, the Senior and Swailes change model was deemed to be more suitable for this change project. This model will be discussed in further detail in the next section followed by discussion on how the change agent led the project at each stage.

# 3.3.1 Change Model Selected for this Project

In principal most change models have the same three major phases to change, Unfreeze, Move and Refreeze. What distinguishes them apart are the various steps needed to achieve each phase and the relationship between each step. It is evident  $\frac{1}{4} \left[ \left\{ \frac{\dot{A}_{0} \otimes \dot{A}_{0} \otimes \dot{A}_{0}}{\dot{A}_{0}} \right\} \right] \left[ \frac{\dot{A}_{0} \otimes \dot{A}_{0} \otimes \dot{A}_{0}$ 

assessing and reinforcing change are all stages that talk to each other and are interlinked.



While the HSE model reflects the flow of communication between the various stages, c@ Á&@; \*^Áæ\*^} oÁ; |^A-^|; |^aÁo@ÁÛ^} ã; |Áæ; åÁÛ, æð^• oÁ&@; \*^Á; | åel due to its clarity and emphasis on the work needed before instigating the change. In the remainder of c@ Á&@; c^|Áo@Á&@; \*^Áæ\*^} oÁ; ā|Áæ; å¦^•• Áæ&@Áæ\*^ AÁO^} ã; |Áæ; åÁÛ, æð^• oÁ&@; \*^Á model and elaborate on the change project accordingly.

# 3.4 The Change Process

The overall aim of the change project was the production of new video-based open ^a` &æa } æA^•[`\&\•Áa Áæ Á\a@a Á\cap\A@a Á\cap\A@a Á\cap\A@a A\cap\A@a A\c

# 3.4.1 Diagnose Current Situation

The first stage in Senior and Swailes OD change model suggests that environmental analysis could be useful to evaluate the change initiative as well as data gathering. Bensoussan and Leisher (2012) warn that environmental factors do have an impact on the entire strategic management process. The PEST tool was used to illustrate external factors with regards to political, economic, socio-cultural and technological

influences that may have an impact on the organisation to assist in providing a framework for change. What is clear from the PEST analysis is the enormous opportunities with all the changes that are happening in higher education to embrace technology. As a college that aims to be developing healthcare leaders that make a difference worldwide, the change agent believes that there is a need to actively contribute in the OER movement and move towards personalised learning.



Figure 1: PEST Tool

Force-field analysis was also prepared to furnish the change agent with the driving forces that could support the change and the areas that might appear as obstacles. Lewin (1951) argues that change destabilises the current state of equilibrium by one or a combination of three ways - increasing the forces pushing for change, reducing the strength of forces against the change, changing the direction of a force so that a restraint converts to a factor that supports the initiative.

Having conducted the Force-field analysis (Appendix 1), the change agent deems that the driving forces for this change initiative outweigh the resistance. However, the resisting forces cannot be undermined either. This analysis offered the change agent an opportunity to have a better understanding of the challenges that may be part of this change project and provide direction on how to address them. Based on SWOT (Appendix 2) analysis it was evident that the institute enjoys the strength of being part of an international college and has great autonomy in its operations. However, staff numbers are quite small with a lot of overseas travelling and projects which may pose challenges in seeking time commitment to prepare and record educational videos. Another possible threat that might face this project is rebranding of the college which may impact the editing and production of the videos. The biggest threat however is the public comments on these videos, given the nature of how social networks operate.

Through focus groups and individual interviews it was apparent that the faculty in the institute has been using OERs and mainly videos to enrich classes and further engage their students. Some of the academic staff were involved in developing video-based material for the online programmes. Snippets from these videos were taken and uploaded to YouTube. The table below reflects the numbers of views the videos had from October 2011 to November 2012.

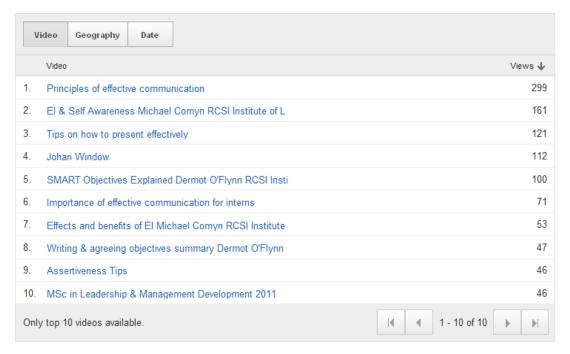


Figure 2: YouTube viewers for top ten videos, Nov 2012

These videos involved a small number of the institute faculty with a specific audience in mind. The change agent would like to produce educational videos to a wider audience, basically to anyone researching topics relating to leadership, healthcare, education and management. As noticed from the literature review learning materials that are university branded have higher credibility. Consequently, the change agent aim to produce learning resources that clearly demonstrates the brand of the institute. Furthermore, the search-ability, YouTube ranking and search engine optimisation are highly dependent on algorithm strategies. This was not considered when the previous videos were uploaded. The change agent will attempt at implementing algorithm, social media and marketing strategies. In addition, the newly produced videos will have a creative commons licence to increase the use of these learning materials in educational settings.

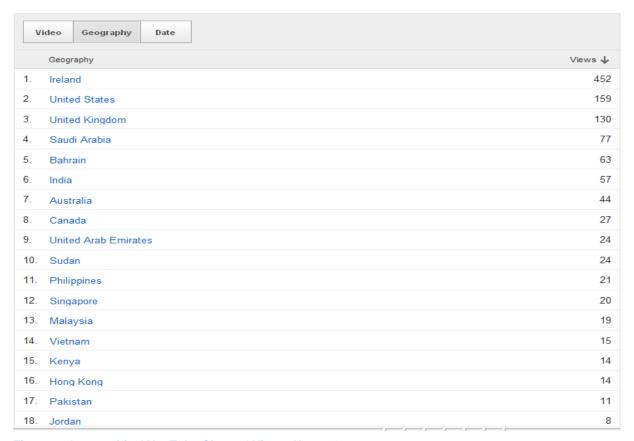


Figure 3: Geographical YouTube Channel Views, Nov 2012

YouTube is considered the second largest search engine and is a google product. The process of uploading videos to YouTube requires minimal technical skills and automatically compresses videos into streaming formats (Topps et al, 2013). In addition, YouTube provides sophisticated analytics and provides the option to upload the videos under creative commons licence. As a result, the change agent regarded YouTube as a suitable platform to host the newly produced educational videos.

Having gathered all this information the change agent needed to develop a vision for change which is discussed in the following section.

#### 3.4.2 Develop a Vision for Change

Strebel (1996) argued that both employees and middle managers do not welcome change due to its disruptive nature. Kotter (1995) states that change is impossible without the employees buy-in and help. To achieve this, clear vision needs to be developed and communicated on a continual-basis (ibid). In an effort to create a vision the proposed change was aligned with one of the four values of the college,

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As noticed from the literature review the essence of the OERs is to encourage collaboration for development of individuals and communities. Furthermore, MOOCs and SPOCs that were very much in the forefront of innovation and exploration during the time of this project relied highly on delivering the material through videos. The quality of these videos and the ability to engage the viewers with the content would be essential. Consequently, the core tenet of the vision is that the college and the institute aim to produce leaders who make a difference worldwide. Considering all the changes that are happening in education the faculty of the institute should have a footprint and contribution to these changes. This project will hopefully equip the faculty with experience, insight and knowledge that will enable it to actively participate in the debate of technology enhanced learning. Another important element of this project is the marketing of the college, institute and faculty.

Having determined the vision, it was crucial to be able to communicate the vision to the faculty and gain their commitment. This will be the topic of our next discussion.

#### 3.4.3 Gain Commitment to the Vision

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persuasion. The soft tactics included inspirational appeal, consultation, integration and personal appeal. The hard tactics were exchange of favours and benefits, coalition, legitimating, pressure/ assertiveness and upward appeal.

The change agent used two of these tactics mainly giving good reasons and provoking inspiration as much as possible, by providing relevant factual evidence and sharing ideas and aspirations during formal meetings and informal discussions. A change champion was also identified and approached to pilot the production of one video. The video was developed using a mobile device camera to record a 3-4 minute clip discussing assessment for learning. In a month, this clip had a total of 60 viewers from Ireland, Bahrain, Indonesia, United Arab Emirates, France, Egypt, United Kingdom, United States and Saudi Arabia. This feedback was delivered to the department which did create a sense of urgency and facilitated a healthy discussion. Kotter (1995) suggests that 50% of people fail to create change as they do not create enough urgency. He suggests that could be due to the fact they underestimate the challenge of having staff buy-in, lack of patience or overestimate their ability for creating urgency.

The management agreed to allocate a budget for the project to go ahead. Based on this development, the change agent was now in a position to start working an action  $|a\rangle \dot{E} \sqrt{2} \dot{A}^{-1} \cdot \dot{A} = \dot{A} \cdot \dot{A} \cdot$ 

### 3.4.4 Develop Action Plan

Senior and Swailes (2010) suggest that it is during this phase where organisations start the transition of moving from current state to future desired state with the emphasis on who will lead the change, the change agent. The change agent can either be someone externally who acts as a consultant or an agent from the

organisation. Weiss (2003) argues while the external agent receives the remuneration in terms of a fee, the internal agent has a job that focuses on anticipation, innovation and improvements.

In order to approach production agencies for quotes it was important to have a clear idea of the concept, structure, production and editing required for the videos. The entertainment and food industry have been able to capitalise on Web 2.0 technologies. Chefs such as Jamie Oliver, Sorted Food @ The Table etc were able to share their recipes in an engaging contemporary manner. James Wedmore suggested a framework for videos to engage viewers on YouTube (Appendix 6) that is fairly similar to the Sorted Food @ The Table. This framework was adapted and communicated to the faculty. The framework was adapted very positively without any resistance. This could have been due to the fact the change agent has a marketing and communication background and was trusted with their expertise in this area.

The next stage was to appoint a production company. Having produced films before, the change agent had a good understanding of the type of producers needed to be able to translate ideas into actual films. The department had partnered with a production agency for the online learning material produced previously with very competitive prices. As a result, the change agent had to negotiate the quote with the preferred production company. After a thorough negotiation, the change agent was able to sign the contract with the desired production company.

In order to decide on the topics for the videos, the change agent reviewed the faculty research and publications to identify mixture of topics related to leadership, management, healthcare and education. The list was than shared with each of the faculty members in order for them to choose their topic. Having decided on the topics and the number of videos to be produced, a Gantt chart was developed to plan the change according to the time line (Appendix 4). Kotter (1996) refers to this stage as  $\mathring{\pm}$  and  $\mathring{\pm}$   $\mathring{$ 

1. Position power: this means having enough decision makers and key players to buy-in to change. Considering this project, the change agent was a new member of the department but had a good working relationship with members

of its team from a previous role within the same organisation. The change agent was able to gain senior management approval, but was also reminded of the fact of the cultural difference in this department, and the importance of having the individual members buy-in. The change agent, considering the fact that they were empowered to gain staff commitments provided a sense of trustworthiness. By empowering people leaders are tapping to four cognitions - meaning, competence, self-determination and impact (Randolph and Kemery, 2011).

- 3. Credibility was important for the commitment to this project. Hence, the &@\ \*^\A\ \*\\ \A\ \*\\ A\ \*\\ A\

Kotter (2001) suggests that leadership is instrumental to lead change. Linda Hill (2008) suggests that an emotional connection with people is leadership. In an a c'\cap \( \times \) \( \t

In the next section the implementation of the change will be articulated in further detail.

## 3.4.5 Implementing the Change

This project consisted of two implementation phases. The first was the actual filming and production of the videos. The other phase was the distribution of the videos through various communication channels.

The college was undergoing rebranding during this time also. To avoid any issues in terms of branding a meeting was scheduled to seek branding guidelines prior to the commencement of filming. As the rebranding process was still on-going and had not been officially launched the change agent received basic guidelines. Later the filming dates and time slots for each faculty were allocated. A personalised email was sent to each of the knowledge experts involved addressing the structure of the video, samples of other videos along with offers of rehearsal sessions. Simultaneously, the change agent had close communication with the filming agency and the graphic designer throughout the process. Once the change agent was satisfied with each of the videos produced it was then sent to the respective faculty as well as to senior management for their review and approval.

One of the objectives of this project was to disseminate the videos on different platforms. The change agent had scheduled for the first video to be launched during the first week of September and a new video to be released each week thereafter. These videos would be distributed via email, social networks and websites. The Communication Department was the official communication channel and played a significant role in the dissemination of these videos. As mentioned earlier, the college was undergoing rebranding that included change in policies and procedures to ensure the consistency and the correct use of branding. Despite the fact that the change agent attempted to address the issue of branding at an early stage of the change process, the branding was flagged to be incorrect when the first video was sent to the Communication Department for circulation. This resulted in delays in the schedule and additional cost to correct the brand accordingly.

Once the rebranding was corrected and approved, the Communication Department was supplied with a draft email to be circulated to staff in Ireland and Bahrain. The communications department also supplied the change agent with contacts for the two campuses in Malaysia. Meehan and Reinelt (2012) refers to the process of intentionally introducing and linking people of similar interests together to expand the reach of the network, influence and innovation as Network Weaving. They argue that Network Weaving is a leadership strategy that aims to help people self-organise, experiment and collaborate for greater outcome.

### 3.4.5.1 Action Learning

Action learning in groups creates the opportunity to question and tackle a real problem that will result in action (Revans, 2011; Meehan and Reinelt, 2012). As the change agent had the objective to disseminate the videos to various platforms, the change agent was challenged during one of the action learning sets to consider the dissemination of videos to affiliated hospitals and health agencies to reach potential students and healthcare professionals. Consequently, the change agent discussed the suggestions made at the action learning with senior management. The CEO of the affiliated hospital was approached and he welcomed the idea of circulating the videos to the hospital staff. However, a technical dilemma emerged where access to YouTube was blocked in the hospital. The CEO intervened once again to lift the ban. The connections and network that the department had with the Health Services  $Ex^{A} = \sqrt[3]{A} + \sqrt[3$ 

The process of change is a long one, thus it is important to maintain the motivation and focus on the goal. In order to keep the urgency level up, the change agent demonstrated short-term wins by furnishing the faculty and department with analytic reports from YouTube and websites with each member of the faculty for their respective videos. The change agent also reported back evidence from the growth of audience on the social networks. These short-term wins act like a bridge between the implementation phase of the OD process and assessment of change. In the next section the change agent will discuss the assessment stage of the project.

### 3.4.6 Assess and Reinforce Change

### 3.5 Conclusion

The aim of the change project was to produce video-based OERs in a private sector of higher education. The change agent used environmental tools such as PEST, SWOT, force field and stakeholder analysis to inform the change project. Having reviewed the various OD models available, the change agent used Senior and \(\tilde{\psi}\), \(\frac{\alpha}{\psi}\) \(\frac{\a

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### 4.1 Evaluation

It is suggested that anyone involved in education programmes does so in order to achieve certain change (Frye and Hemmer, 2012). This change can be intended or unintended in the form of self-development, behavioural change or acquiring skills and knowledge to introduce organisational change. Morrison (2003) warns that unlike research that aims to produce results that are generalisable and publishable in peer reviewed journals with ethical approval, evaluation focuses on specific issues that do not necessarily require the process of an ethics committee approval. Another distinguishing factor is the fact that in research, the question may not continue to evolve if the answer has been identified. On the other hand, evaluation is a continuously evolving process (ibid).

In this chapter the change agent will provide a brief overview of the various evaluations models before discussing the evaluation model used for this change project by referring back to the aims and objectives of the change initiative to determine and evaluate its outcome. The chapter will be concluded with key findings.

### 4.2 Overview of Evaluation Models

Evaluation is a critical process in the education system Morrison (2003). Educators use information gathered to make a value judgment about the education programme both for internal and external motives (Frye and Hemmer, 2012). Mennin (2010) warns that most evaluation models in the reductionist theory suggest a move from disorder to order. As a result, it assumes if there is a process the outcome will be fairly predictable (Geyer et al, 2005). It also implies that the success or failure of achieving programme outcomes can be explained once the elements contributing to the outcomes have been identified (Frye and Hemmer, 2012) but disregards the importance of context and the relationship between the various components.

Evaluation models that emerged in the 20<sup>th</sup> century recognised change to be inbuilt in the system followed by complexity theory. This theory recognises that educations systems (such as medicine) can be very complicated and challenging to study each component of the evaluation in isolation. It also takes into account that in

multifaceted systems, uncertainty and doubt are factors that need to be considered as well as the relationships of participants with each other, the environment and how the environment may influence the participants (Frye and Hemmer, 2012).

The CIPP (Context, Input, Process and Product) evaluation model recognises a service-learning and community partner needs (Zhang et al, 2011) to achieve the objectives of the curriculum. It furnishes the evaluator with loops of feedback regarding the learning project and identifies areas for further improvements (Zhang et al, 2011). The logical model has similar elements as the CIPP model but may focus more on the change process and the innovation (Frye and Hemmer, 2012).

The logic model consists of inputs which can be human, financial resources and other important inputs required in supporting the learning. Activities are the actions needed to achieve the programme objectives. The outputs are the services to the customers (or in this case the teaching provided to the students). What is interesting about this model is that it places the customers (students) at the heart of the model and recognises that people interaction is crucial to reach the desired results. However, the change agent feels that the model does not identify an opportunity for feedback loops. Feedback is crucial as it informs the faculty of issues arising from students (Griffin and Cook, 2009) and others involved in education process.

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The objectives set for this project were to:

- 1. Produce a total of eleven videos that shows each faculty member addressing a topic of their expertise
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- 3. Disseminate the videos on different platforms and through various social networks
- 4. Evaluate stakeholdersqexperience regarding the resources produced
- 5. Provide future recommendations

In order to evaluate each of the above objectives Jacobsqevaluation model was adopted. The change model consists of ten stages that are presented in the chart below. Jacobs (2000) warns that based on the goals of the evaluation the different stages may follow a  $\mathring{a}_{-}^{A}^{A} \mathring{a}_{-}^{A} \mathring{a}_{-}^{A$ 

Jacobs suggests that there is cyclic loop of information flow between stages six to nine. A number of sources were identified as having a comprehensive understanding of the change project impact. These sources were qualitative information from the faculty to evaluate the effectiveness of the production and the extent of usage of these resources. Qualitative

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YouTube, website analytics and review of possible change of pattern in applications are also good sources of information that could reflect the impact of this project.

Wagner et al (2012) suggests that using a mixed method approach of quantitative and qualitative evaluation will result in more accurate and valid data. The misconception is that it is thought that data gathered using the triangulation method should be consistent.

Researchers argue that the inconsistency should not be viewed as a weakness but rather an opportunity for deeper understanding. Triangulation allows the evaluator to address the issue from different perspectives and will assist the evaluator to satisfy the goals of the

evaluations (Jacobs, 2000). Another important aspect of data evaluation is that it has to be credible and useful (ibid).

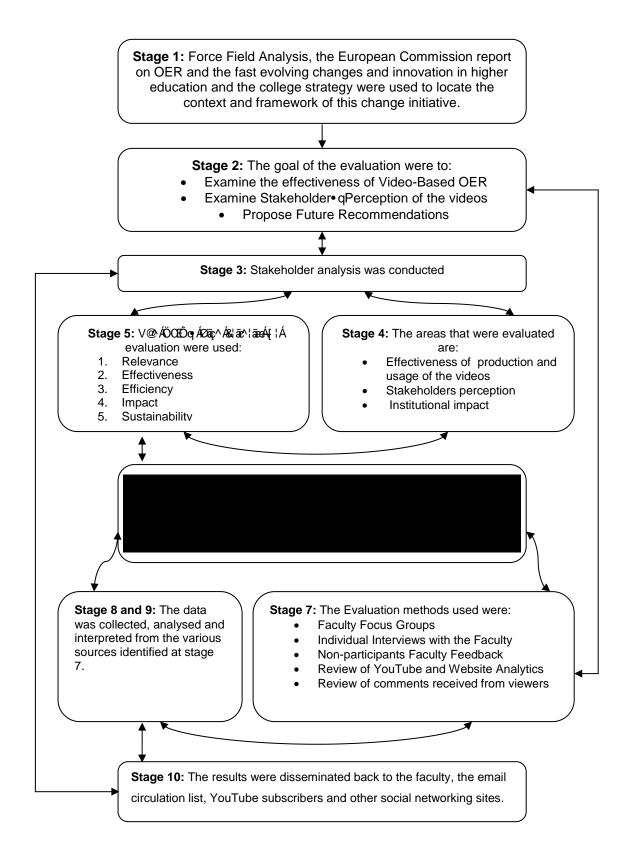
The evaluation of each of the objectives will be discussed in this chapter before concluding.

# 4.3.1 Produce a total of eleven videos that shows each faculty member addressing a topic of their expertise

The objective was to have one educational video representing each of the eleven faculties based in Ireland. A total of twenty videos were produced as some of the faculty decided to film more than one topic. Seventeen of the twenty videos were approved to be used highlighting topics relevant to Leadership, Healthcare, Management and Education. The change agent believes that this objective was achieved successfully.

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As observed from the graph on page 47 stage 3, 4 and 5 are very much interlinked and should allow free flow of information between them with stakeholder input and collaboration to evaluate the innovation. Jacobs makes an interesting observation to evaluate participants as well as non-participants of the change. In this case, the faculty who are internationally based were approached to seek their feedback since they were not directly involved in the project. Having identified the sources of information and decided on the evaluation methods the evaluator will outline below the findings and data collected from these resources.



**Figure 4: Jacobs Evaluation Model** 

### 4.3.2.1 Focus Groups

Six of eleven faculty members who participated in the production of the videos as knowledge experts attended the focus group. The group discussed that they did recognise the videos as an important tool in education. Many of the faculties do incorporate videos in their class to engage students and generate critical discussion to support assessment for learning and makes the session less didactical. They also reflected on the fact that the institute did invest in having a room dedicated for filming and invested in purchasing filming equipment. One of the faculties shared as follows:

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The big challenge for me was the production quality, time commitment and that it was done in house. So, I went back to podcast because it required less HIIRUW'

Ø& |ĉ ÁªM/e did develop videos for an online programme for a specific audience and then edited a few of those videos and uploaded them to

However, they did agree that there is a difference when producing content for a specific audience.

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Faculty 4: 8RVWRIWKHYLGHRVSURGXFHGZHUHWLPHOHVVWKHPDPDLQWDLQ their currHQFIRUDJRRGWLPHKLFKLVDJRRGDWWULEWLRQWRWKHSURMHFW'

Some of the faculty did acknowledge that is was intimidating to produce something that would be in the public domain:

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output is fairly positive but what I would be keen to know the data around the

outcome. An outcome from this is that I used some of the videos with my

students overseas. It impacted on my ability to deliver a better orientation

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The faculty also expressed how it was useful to send the videos to some people who

might have missed a session. They also agreed that their colleagues overseas have

been using these videos which they thought stressed the strategic goal of the college

around collegiality. One of the unintended outcomes was that the faculty felt more

connected with their colleagues in the main college building. They discussed the

comments and positive feedback they received and felt that the videos re-

emphasised what the institute was doing.

There were mixed feelings with regards to using the skills of a makeup artist before

the filming. The main purpose for using makeup was to boost the confidence of the

faculty in front of the camera and avoid having a shiny face.

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Some also thought that it was important to have colleague behind who camera that

could intervene when things did not sound correct. Others suggested the use of

prompts and clue cards. They liked that the end of the videos had a human element

with a more relaxed feel.

When asked if they would be interested in developing a MOOC on Leadership 101

Faculty 3: HVQRTXHVWLRQ'

08510156 44 It was interesting that faculty members expressed fear about developing educational videos that would be in the public domain. However, they still agreed to go ahead and participate in the change project.

### 4.3.2.2 Individual Interviews with Faculty Participants

Although focus groups and individual interviews are different data collection mechanisms, when combined they can provide the researcher with a more holistic view of the matter (Lambert and Loiselle, 2008). The change agent approached the faculty who were unable to attend the focus group for individual interviews. The same themes appeared in the individual interviews. The faculty members were nervous, were not sure what to expect and feared of the fact that the videos would be in the public domain, but recognised that the only way to gain the skill was by actually doing it.

Faculty 7: NKLQNWKHFKDQJHDJHQWFUHDWHGDVHQVHRIXUJHQFVLQFHVSHFLILI days were identified for filming and cameraman, light and sound technician and makeup artist were aOOERRNHGRMWWKDGWRGRLW

They also recognised that preparation is key and they suggested that people from the main college started calling when they saw the videos, which helped in raising the personal brand and profile.

### 4.3.2.3 Feedback from Faculty Non-Participants

- N. Faculty 1: 6WXGHQWVRQWKHSURJUDPPHDSSUHFLDWHWKHRSSRUWXQLWWRI and see faculty in Dublin ± SDUWLFØDUOWKRVHKRPWKHNQRXRHVWKH\ GRKHOSWREULGJHWKHJHRJUDSKLFJDS'
- N. Faculty 2: \$\mathbb{Y}WHDFKLQJUHVR\mathbb{M}FHV7KH\mathbb{P}LJK\mathbb{M}\mathbb{s}\times time limit time at the research each area more thoroughly. But with such a short time available to get the message across that is all that can EHH\mathbb{E}HFWHG'
- N. Faculty 2: \$\mathbb{P}\text{PDUNHWLQJPDWHULDO,WKLQNWKDWWKHWKHYLGHRVDUHYHU\}}

  gooGDQG\mathbb{R}\text{\text{\text{\$\text{G}}}\text{\$\text{C}}\text{\$\text{VWLP}\text{\text{\$\text{\$\text{D}}}\text{\$\text{W}}\text{\$\text{UHVWLFLHQWLQWHUHVWIRUIROOR}}}'

It was also highlighted that one of the videos had loud background music that affected the ability to hear the conversation. It was also suggested that the ending of conversation if \( \hat{\text{2}} \\ \hat{\t

The faculty also highlighted the value of using references, as some did in their video presentations to support the views in the video and suggested that this is important in an academic context.

The comments indicate that the project did have an unintended outcome of bridging the geographical distance. It also provided the educators with additional learning resources which they could include in the roadmap of the module or as an in class activity. It also highlighted the marketing potential with such resources.

# 4.3.3 Disseminate the videos on different platforms and through various social networks

The videos were disseminated mainly through weekly emails sent from the Communications Department in the main college to two campuses. The Communication Departments for the other three campuses were also approached to as •^{ 3 as \$\delta \lambda \lambda

### 4.3.3.1 YouTube Analytics

According to Topps et al (2013) YouTube analytics can provide valuable information \\^\* \adda\delta\d

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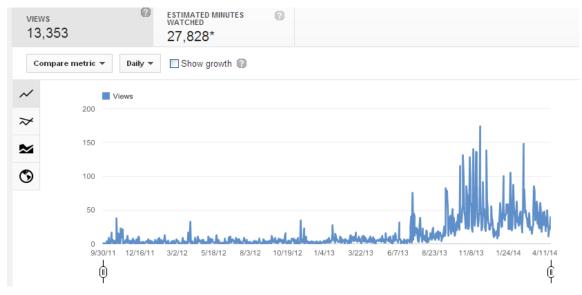


Figure 5: Viewers' interaction with YouTube Channel

Thus, graph reflects the geographical spread the YouTube channel has attracted with viewers from 129 countries, with Ireland, US, UK, UAE and Bahrain as the five top viewers.

Geography	Views ↓ ②	
Ireland	8,373 (48%)	
United States	1,443 (11%)	
United Kingdom	828 (6.2%)	
United Arab Emirates	635 (4.8%)	
Bahrain	522 (3.9%)	
India	335 (2.5%)	
Saudi Arabia	329 (2.5%)	
Canada	328 (2.5%)	
Malaysia	308 (2.3%)	
Australia	240 (1.8%)	
Jordan	138 (1.0%)	
Philippines	110 (0.8%)	
Qatar	85 (0.6%)	
Singapore	78 (0.6%)	
Germany	73 (0.5%)	
France	66 (0.5%)	
South Africa	65 (0.5%)	
Vietnam	53 (0.4%)	
Thailand	52 (0.4%)	
Italy	47 (0.4%)	
Netherlands	45 (0.3%)	

Figure 6: Geographical Spread on YouTube Channel

### 4.3.3.2 Website Analytics

As part of the process to increase the awareness and online search-ability of the institute website and educational resources the change agent went through an extensive search engine optimization process. Consequently, the website analytics reflects 31% increase in visitors out of which 33% are new visitors. 110 of these  $visitor \bullet \acute{A} ^{h^{-}} \mathring{A}^{h^{-}} \mathring{A}^$ openeducationeuropa.eu and 10 from HSEland.ie. The reason that the numbers are relatively low on the HSEland could be due to the fact that it was recently added.

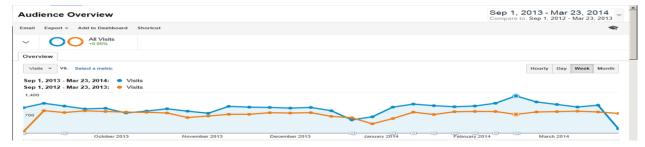


Figure 7: Website Analytics

#### 4.3.3.3 Social Networks

Social Networks	Network audience in	Network audience	Increase
	Nov 2012	in 2014	
YouTube	8	165	1963%
Linkedin Group	38	230	505%
Twitter	-	259	-
Facebook	89	198	122%

**Table 1: Growth of Audience on Social Networking Sites** 

# 4.3.4 Evaluate stakeholders experience regarding the resources produced

The survey could not be circulated through the communication office to all staff in Ireland and Bahrain due to restrictions to avoid survey fatigue amongst them. The change agent therefore decided to circulate the survey to individual contacts (total of 63) in Ireland and Bahrain. The change agent also requested assistance from the contacts in Perdana, Penang and Dubai to circulate the survey. The survey was also

### 4.3.4.1 Rating the Institute's Educational Videos

Respondents were asked to rate a number of statements regarding the videos with 5 as highest score of strongly agree. 97.14% (n=34) of respondents agreed that the %^••æ\*^+/\*\* A@ /&[ } c^} of a /\*\* (n=34) of respondents agreed that the %-••a\*\* ^+/\*\* A@ /&[ } c^} of a /\*\* (n=34) of respondents agreed that the 85.72% (n=30) thought that the topics discussed were relevant to them, 4 disagreed (11.43%) and one strongly disagreed (2.86%) . 94.29%(n=33) stated that the production style of the videos was engaging and two disagreed. 88.24% (n=30), 3 disagreed and one strongly disagreed with regards to the content of the videos being thought provoking and 97.15% (n=34) of respondents thought the videos were of appropriate duration with one respondent strongly disagreeing.

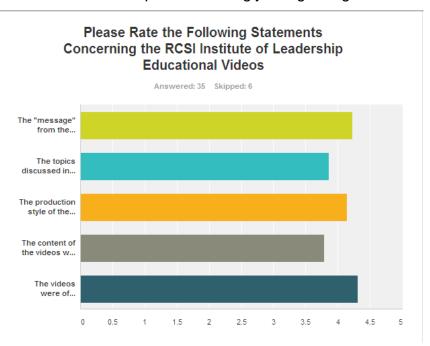


Figure 8: Rating the Institute 19 9 Xi WU1 cbU J XYcg

### 4.3.4.2 Rating the videos as a means for lifelong learning

88.57% (n=31) respondents rated moderate to strongly these videos to be as a means of lifelong learning and same number indicated that their overall educational experience was between satisfactory and excellent. Three respondents disagreed and one respondent strongly disagreed on both statements.

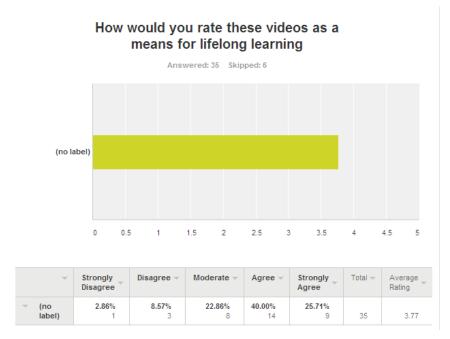


Figure 9: Rating the videos as a means for lifelong learning

#### 4.3.4.3 Future Actions

74.29% (n=26) responded that they would be interested in viewing more educational videos and the same percentage expressed interest in joining a MOOC if offered. When asked if they would consider joining one of the academic programmes offered by the institute 48.57% (n=17) said that they would not want to enrol. 28.57% (n=10) expressed interest in joining and the other 22.86% were not sure.

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Respondent 2: 3HOOGRQHJUHDWLQLWLDWLYH'

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Respondent 4: 9HULQIRUPDWLYHVXFFLQFWZHOOSUHVHQWHGUHOHYDQWZLWKN aspects highlighted, good reminder of the theory and application - went back to listen to them a second time. Thank you for the value added piece of resource to my first educational input from the RCSI. It will help me to recommend the MSc programme to staff and colleagues. Keep up the LQQRBWLRQKHQLWFRPHVWRPHHWLQJRMOHDUQLQJQHHGVDQGZOOGRQH'

Respondent 5: WZRXOGEHRIKLJøenefit if you include students and alumni LQWKHVGHRVRØDEULQJHBHUWVIURPRWKHULQVWLWWHV′

Respondent 6: 3HUKDSVWKHSUHVHQWHUVFRXOGORRNDWWKHFDPHUDLQVWHDO looking at somewhere else -- feels a bit uncomfortable without the eye contact KHQKHVKHLVREMRXOWDONLQJWRRX

Respondent 7: 3URGXFWLRQDOYDOXHVRIYLGHRVZHUHHIJEHIOOHQW UHVHDUFKHGDQGHHFJWHG'

Respondent 8: **\***KHFRQWHQWRIWKHYLGHRVZDVRIOLWWOHLQWHUHVWWRPHZKLf why my comments are a bit negative, but I can see their appeal to someone **\***BUNLQJLQDPRUHUHOH**\***BQWILHOGRI**\***BUN'

Respondent 9: ₹FHOOHQWDQGLQWHUHVWLQJYLGHRV9HUZHOOGRQH´

Overall the response from the audience was positive where 84% and above thought the content messages were clear, topics were of relevance, the production was engaging with appropriate duration and that the content was thought provoking. 87% thought that these videos are a good means for lifelong learning and that they would like to see more videos and to possibly join a MOOC offered by the institute. The responses also suggest that there is a possibility to convert viewers to possible full paying students.

### 4.3.4.4 Informal Feedback from Audience

During the change process some of the faculty received informal feedback from

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Audience1: %ZDWFKHGLWUHSHDWHGODQGHMHell found something interesting, thank you for your continuous efforts to rise up our understanding WRWKHOHDGHUVKLSVLQFHLWVDOHDUQDEOHVNLOO'

What is interesting to note is that the faculty who had an active online presence received the most comments and shares on YouTube and other social networking sites.

### 4.3.5 Provide future recommendations

Survey respondents suggested some valuable information for future consideration such as presenters should look into the camera when presenting. They have also suggested involving students and alumni in the videos. Given the calibre of the  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a} \cdot \vec{c} \cdot$ 

Considering the fact that respondents have shown strong interest in joining a full OER course and that the faculty has the necessary skills, knowledge and have overcome the fear associated with filming, it might be timely to consider developing a full course on one of the MOOC platforms. The experience gained from this project can also be used to further develop the blended learning materials in the institute to deliver high quality blended learning that focuses on personalised learning, mastery-based, high expectations with clearly defined rigorous standards and student ownership and empowerment.

### 4.4 Conclusion

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### 5.1 Introduction

It is argued that many publicly funded educational institutions have contributed to the OER movement due to their public outreach mission, since they receive funding to support the operation of their institutions QU{ accellant is project that is operating under charity licence, the change agent believed that this project has been a proactive approach in engaging with the international movement of OER and contributes to the community by producing video-based educational resources available to anyone with internet access. Some have argued that knowledge sharing is the tradition of higher education (Bossu et al, 2012). Publicly funded universities have been expected to engage and produce open educational resources as a means of giving back to the community. The change agent believes it is only a matter of time before the public demand such resources from higher institutions, especially, educational institutions that operate under charity licence.

Some changes do still face the OER movements. Creative commons licensing has addressed many concerns regarding the copyright of learning materials. The mindset regarding the need to guard intellectual property is still a concern.

In this chapter the change agent will discuss and reflect on the change process, discuss the impact of the organisational change, identify strengths and limitations and propose recommendations for future improvements.

## 5.2 Change Process

A literature review was carried out to better inform the change agent regarding the need for the change and the benefits and challenges associated with such change. It was evident that OER was not a new phenomenon, what has changed is the development of web 2.0, advancement of mobile devices, a new generation entering the market, increasing cost of higher education, student massification and the need for continuous professional development, all societal changes that demand consideration for a new approach to learning.

analysis, the level of importance and influence changed at different phases during the change process.

So was the role and responsibilities of the change agent, they changed during different phases of this project. The role involved creating the vision, identifying change agents, seeking commitments and approval, sourcing the production company, making all the necessary arrangements for pre-production and disseminating the videos. Based on the experiences gained while conducting this project the change agent noted the importance of vision and why Kotter (1995) stressed the importance of vision to gain commitment for change. For this to happen the change agent considered leadership power and influencing strategies. Change champion was key in moving the idea forward. During this phase the change agent also researched production styles to make the videos as appealing and engaging as  $\frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}$ 

was covered well. In the future, it would be ideal to show the faculty how they appear on camera before continuing with the filming. It is important to keep in mind that the quality of filming be further enhanced during the editing phase of the production.

One of the objectives of this project was to have at least one educational video for each faculty in the institute. Some of the faculty decided to cover more than one topic. So, the change agent filmed a total of 17 videos. This clearly outlines that the first objective of this change project was achieved. It is worth mentioning that three of the 17 videos had to be re-filmed since the setup of the group discussion in the video did not come across as well as anticipated. In order to overcome future challenges with filming, the change agent may consider arranging for rehearsal sessions using a smart phone camera or other camera.

Having had all the videos produced and approved internally, the change agent decided to have one video released each week over a period of time. This meant that the institute had valuable content to share with its audience. But when the videos were sent to Communication Department for distribution, the change agent faced the first obstacle. Despite the fact that the change agent identified the branding as an issue and attempted to sort it at an initial stage, the change agent was informed that the branding was incorrect and could not be used. The situation caused delays and had cost implications (Reflective Diary page 6).

The faculty has also suggested that the videos have been useful educational resources for class teaching to generate critical discussions and support teaching and learning. Further organisational impacts will be discussed in the coming section.

# 5.3 Organisational Impact

The change agent believes that one of the major impacts of this project is that the college has now made an official contribution to the international movement of OER.

Most of the MOOCs and SPOCs deliver their course content primarily through the use of videos. The faculty of the institute has now the experience and understanding of video production and most importantly they have overcome the fear of sharing |^a\text{3} \* \hat{1} & \text{3} \* \hat{1} \* \hat{1}

The institute is located at a physical distance from the main college. These videos have had positive internal unintended outcome where staff were reintroduced and the relationship was strengthened between their peers in the main college. Many of the faculties reported that they received phone calls, emails and comments regarding their videos from their colleagues in the main college and elsewhere.

## 5.4 Strengths of the Change Project

The main strength of this project was in the faculty, their corporation and willingness to contribute despite the fear that they may have had. Without their support it would not have been possible to produce these educational videos. The fact that the change agent has marketing and communication background has been valuable in producing high quality videos with engaging production. The videos were not time specific which means that they can be of relevance for a longer period of time. Furthermore, the videos have creative commons licences, this means that anyone can use and re-use them in educational settings. The change agent believes that this project has reflected an attempt in embracing technology and Web 2.0 in education to support digital literacy and lifelong learning.

## 5.5 Limitations of the Change Project

One of the main limitations of this project was time. It is challenging to capture the sustainability of this project. However, the change agent intends to continue to find opportunities to disseminate and use these videos. Given the time frame it has been not possible to determine if the institute will be using their experience of developing educational videos as part of their online learning resources or possibly embark on a MOOC or SPOC adventure.

# 5.6 Recommendations for Future Developments

One of the main recommendations for future developments is to rehearse before the actual filming using smart phone or other camera. This will improve the filming process, avoid any surprises and ensure quality of videos.

Considering the fact that the 74% of survey respondents suggested that they are interested in enrolling in a full course offered for free online, it is recommended to continue to support OER by developing a full course.

The change agent recognises that changing organisational culture can be challenging particularly in a college that has been operational for more than 200

years. The college currently has five different campuses located internationally.

Adapting the OER concept between these campuses will create a culture that encourages sharing of learning resources internally before opening up to the world.

### 5.7 Conclusion

Based on the experience, the change agent feels that this project has been an important one in aligning the college with the international movement of OER and to have a tangible contribution in enhancing digital literacy in Europe and beyond by embracing technology and Web 2.0.

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Force-Field Analysis									
Hindering Forces	Rating	Change Project Driving Forces		Rating					
Staff Attitudes	5		Tougher Competition	5					
Cost	4		Demonstrate	5					
			Leadership and						
			Involvement in						
			current educational						
			movement and						
			change						
Public Criticism	5		Brand Positioning	4					
Discomfort with	2		UNESCO/ EU	4					
Camera by knowledge		Introduction of Video-Based	support						
experts		OER as part of Private							
Rebranding	1	Higher Education	Align with the	4					
		Trigiler Education	strategy						
Filming Crew and	2		Connecting with	5					
Edited			staff, students,						
			Alumni etc						
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#### **STRENGTHS (Internal)**

- 1. Quality product delivered in a nurturing environment with a flexible approach
- 2.Faculty of experienced healthcare professionals
- 3. International Operation
- 4. Linked to national health systems
- 5. Part of 200years of heritage

#### **WEAKNESSES (Internal)**

- 1.Different working weeks and time differences
- 2.Brand premium experience
- 4. Logistical challenges

#### **OPPORTUNITIES (EXTERNAL)**

- 1. Expansion into GCC
- 2. Further enhance blended learning
- 3. Managerial and pedogocical research relating to Healthcare and postgraduate studies

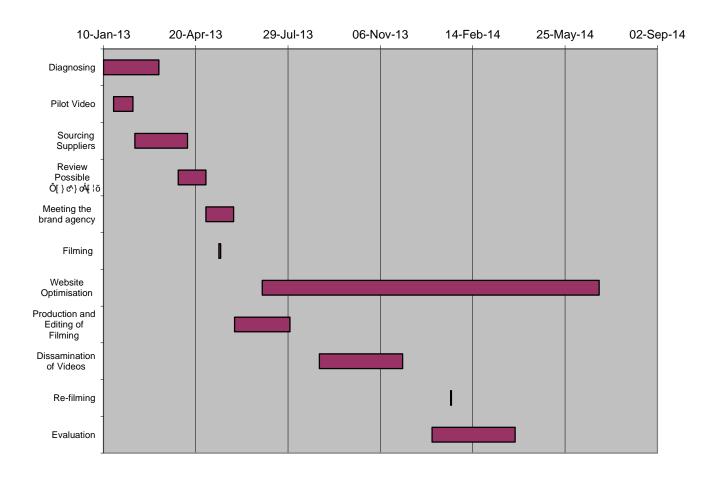
#### **THREATS (EXTERNAL)**

- 1.Increased competition in the market
- 2. Accreditation issues
- 3. Lack of Sponsorship

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Table 2 Two widely accepted taxonomies of influence tactics.

Influence tactic	Type <sup>a</sup>	Definition	Included in Kipnis taxonomy	Included in Yukl taxonomy
Rational persuasion/rationality	R	Using logic, explanation and factual evidence	√	√
Inspirational appeal	S	Appealing to the target's values, ideals or aspirations	•	J
Consultation	S	Seeking the target's participation in implementing the request; Offering to make modifications in response to the target's input		√
Ingratiation	S	Making the other person feel important; Use of friendliness, praise or humility	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Exchange	Н	Offering to reciprocate or share benefits; Invoking past instances of past favors done for the target	√ 	√ √
Personal appeal	S			$\checkmark$
Coalition	H	Invoking the support of co-workers or others as a reason the target should support the request	$\checkmark$	J
Legitimating	Н	Claiming authority over the target; citing laws, rules, policies or conventions that support the request		√ √
Pressure/assertiveness	H	Using demands, threats or deadlines; anger or aggressiveness	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Upward appeal	Н	Using the support of higher-ups as a reason the target should support the request; Asking higher ups to back-up the request	√	

Notes: Kipnis et al. initially included two other tactics, sanctions and blocking, but these were dropped due to conceptual and methodological problems. Yukl and colleagues (Yukl et al., 2005) proposed two additional tactics (apprising and collaboration) in 2005; however, these last two tactics have not received consideration from the broader community of scholars; and thus it seems premature to include them at this time.

a R=Rational/Reason-based, S=Soft, H=Hard.

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