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FLEXIBLE LEARNING DESIGNS:

Education for All: Equity Issues and Online Learning

Yukon College and Cape Breton University | October 13 and 14, 2016

HOSTED BY: **Yukon College and Cape Breton University**

KEY DATES:

April 6, 2016
Call for Proposals will open

June 20, 2016
Deadline for Call for Proposals submissions

July 15, 2016
Conference registrations and hotel reservations will open

September 15, 2016
Early bird registration ends

October 13 – 14, 2016
Conference dates

You are invited to join the 10th annual fall conference sponsored by COHERE (Collaboration for Online Higher Education & Research). This year the conference will be hosted at two locations – Yukon College, Whitehorse, Yukon and Cape Breton University, Sydney, NS. The theme of this year's conference is: **Education for All: Equity Issues and Online Learning**

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This past year, important international declarations were signed confirming the place of online learning in meeting the Sustainable Development Goal of "Education for All." The signatories agreed, " To achieve the goal of inclusive and equitable quality education and lifelong learning by 2030, ICT – including mobile learning – must be harnessed to strengthen education systems, knowledge dissemination, information access, quality and effective learning, and more efficient service provision." (Qingdao Declaration, 2015).

Participants are invited to explore what this statement means in the Canadian education context largely defined by the challenges of geography and rural and remote communities. The two host institutions for this year's conference are examples of a "double remote" situation: they are in small centres in remote locations, and their distance programs serve learners who are often in even more remote locations. While other issues around sustainable online and blended learning will be discussed at this conference, a unique theme to be discussed and experienced this year relates to the nature of participation in a double remote conference.

Keynote speakers, panel discussions and presentations will explore:

- Sustainable futures for online higher education
- Open education models
- The organization of fully online and blended learning for distance and on-campus students
- The role and structure of online learning in large and small institutions
- Collaboration projects such as e-Campus initiatives
- The impact of relatively large online enrollments on primarily f2f institutions
- Student wellness and/or retention in online and blended learning
- Issues in of accessibility relative to geography, disability, gender, culture, and language
- Innovative strategies in course design and program delivery
- Online learning and Indigenous education models
- Any other topics related to remote learners, remote campus locations, or both

SUBMITTING A PROPOSAL:

To submit proposals, please fill out the submission form available **http://cohere.ca/2016-call-for-proposals-form/**

Please indicate which of the two conference locations you plan to attend. If you will be presenting remotely, please indicate your remote location.

Deadline for submissions is 11:59 pm MDT on **June 20th, 2016**. Accepted presenters will be notified by August 1st, 2016.