



COMMONWEALTH *of* LEARNING

COL in the Pacific: promoting Learning for Development

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Learning for Development



UN Millennium Development Goals

Keep the promise
Millennium Development Goals



Education for All (The Dakar Goals)



**Peace
Democracy
Equality
Good governance**

Focal Points: what COL can do

- Make TVET materials available
- Bring global best practice
- Provide technical advice in ODL
- Work with regional bodies like PATVET
- Facilitate links with other countries

**Focal Points Meeting
Pacific, 2011**





COL Programme

Education

- Open schooling
- Teacher Education
- Higher Education
- VUSSC

Livelihoods & Health

- TVSD
- Learning for Farmers
- Healthy Communities

Gender

eLearning

models

policy

capacity

materials

partnerships



Open Schooling

- Open schooling responds to the increasing demand for secondary education at scale and at lower costs.
- It has the potential for complementing the conventional school system and using ICTs to scale up education.



OS in the Pacific

- Pacific Island OS Project: 12 country report
- OSs in Tonga; Kiribati; Solomon Islands
- Te Kura Correspondence College: twinning with Vanuatu Open School
- **COMOSA**: Australia; New Zealand; Vanuatu; Tonga; Kiribati; Solomon Islands



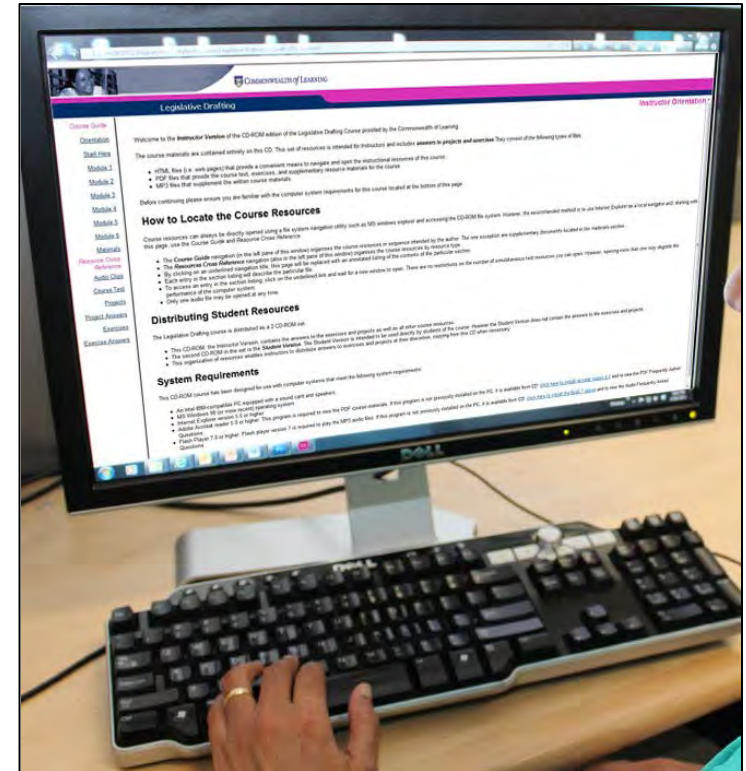
TE in the Pacific: capacity building in

- Quality Assurance
- Curriculum Development
- Multigrade Teaching



Legislative Drafting

■ Vanuatu Campus of USP





VUSSC Member States





VUSSC in the Pacific

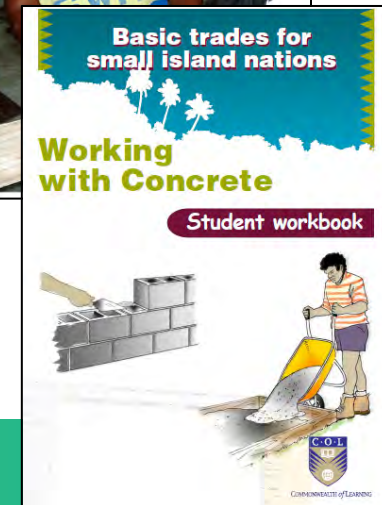
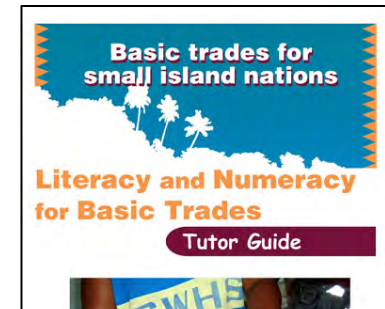
- University of Samoa, sustainable agriculture
- TQF: Vanuatu, Tuvalu, Tonga, PNG, Samoa and the South Pacific Board for Educational Assessment (SPBEA).





Technical & Vocational Skills Development

- Strategic Plan for Flexible and Open Learning, PNG
- Skills training for girls; Vanuatu,
- Delivery Strategy for outer islands, Kiribati



Concrete Results in Nauru:





Lifelong Learning for Farmers (L3F)



**Mobilise & Organise
Farmers**



**Link them with the
banks for credit**

L3F: PNG

- Civil society
- Micro-finance institutions
- Multi-media based learning



Community learning programmes

local
participatory
low-cost

**Healthy
Communities**





Healthy communities: pacific

- Policy dialogue in Community Learning initiated due to awareness building, advocacy and technical advice, Isabel Province, Solomon Islands;
- Capacity building in PNG; Kiribati; Solomon Islands; Cook Islands; Vanuatu



Isabel Learning Network Meeting, 2011



Community broadcasters at work in Isabel Province, Solomon Islands (photo by Claire Varley)



Pacific

Certificate in Designing & Facilitating elearning

Open Polytechnic
KURATINI TUWHERA

COL Chair in OER



Wayne Macintosh



OTAGO
POLYTECHNIC
Te Kura Matatini ki Otago

Directory of Open Educational Resource (DOER)

- Open Educational Resources directory service
- Only full courses catalogued
- A service provided by COL

The screenshot shows the Commonwealth Connects Portal Directory of Open Educational Resources (DOER) website. The header features a colorful geometric logo on the left, the title "COMMONWEALTH CONNECTS PORTAL" and "DIRECTORY OF OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES" in the center, and the text "SERVICE PROVIDED BY" followed by the Commonwealth of Learning logo and name on the right.

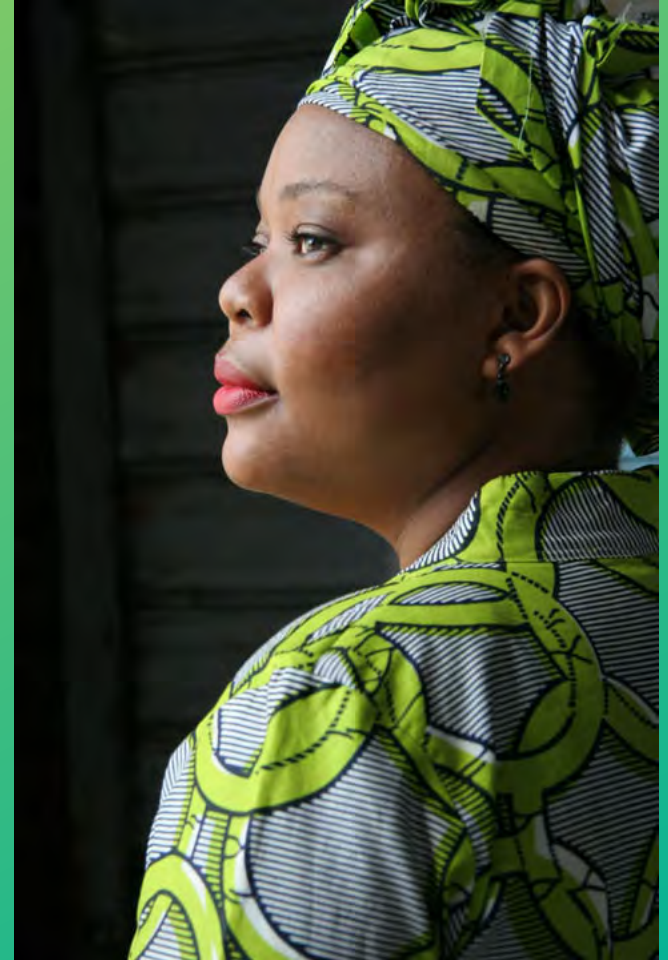
The main content area is divided into three columns:

- Left Column:**
 - Search DSpace:** Includes a search input field with a "Go" button, and links for "Advanced Search" and "Subject Search".
 - Browse:** A list of navigation links: Home, Communities & Collections, Issue Date, Author, Title, Subject, Edutags, and Publisher.
 - Sign on to:** A link for "Receive email updates".
- Middle Column:**
 - C2P: Open Educational Resources >**
 - DSpace:** A welcome message: "Welcome to C2P: Open Educational Resources DSpace directory service!".
 - Search:** A section with the text "Enter some text in the box below to search DSpace." and a search input field with a "Go" button.
 - Communities in DSpace:** A section with the text "Choose a community to browse its collections."
- Right Column:**
 - C2P: Open Educational Resources:** A section with the text "Open Educational Resources from the Commonwealth Universities."
 - RSS Feeds:** Two RSS feed buttons labeled "RSS 1.0" and "RSS 2.0".

Gender: cross cutting

“More women
in power”

Leymah Gwobee
2011



■ Capacity building for women leaders

Women hold just

4%

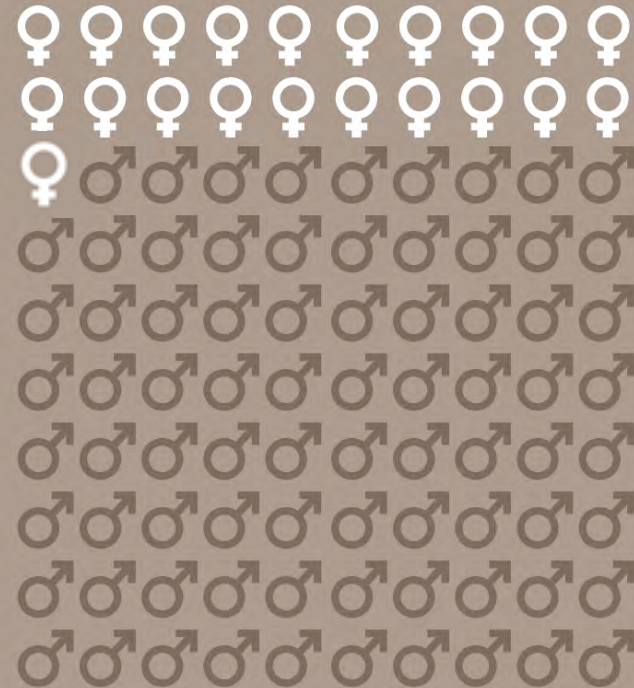
of the Pacific's parliamentary seats.



Women hold just

21%

of the Commonwealth's parliamentary seats.



Source: Inter-Parliamentary Union (January 2014) <http://www.ipu.org/wmn-e/classif.htm>





Classroom without walls





THANK YOU
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