



*COL in the  
Commonwealth:  
Promoting Learning  
for Sustainable Development*



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*Leveraging  
New & Existing  
Technologies*



# *‘Learning for Sustainable Development’*

- Economic growth
- Social inclusion
- Environmental conservation

# *Two Sectors*



*Education*




*Skills*

# *Open Schooling*



*Ms. Frances J. Ferreira*  
*Education Specialist*

# *Empowering learners*

A photograph of two women, likely in a classroom or community center. The woman on the left wears a blue headscarf and a blue patterned top. The woman on the right wears a bright pink headscarf and a matching pink top with white floral patterns. They are both looking towards the left, where a whiteboard or poster is partially visible. The whiteboard has some handwritten text in Hindi, including 'मनोरंजन' (Entertainment) and 'विद्यार्थी' (Students).

*“I left school in year 5 when I got married at the age of 12. I am now 22 and have 3 children. I went back to school so that I could help my children with their schoolwork.”*

# *Teacher Education*



*Dr. Jessica N. Aguti  
Education Specialist*

# *USING ICTs TO ENRICH TEACHING QUALITY*

1,692 teachers  
enrolled in one  
single MOOC

**Kenya, South Africa,  
India, United States,  
Nigeria, Uganda,  
Trinidad & Tobago,  
Jamaica, Pakistan,  
Tanzania**



# *Higher Education*



*Dr. Godson Gatsha*  
*Education Specialist*

# *Commonwealth Executive MBA/MPA*



*11 partner institutions across the  
Commonwealth with a total enrolment  
of over 27,000 since inception in 2002.*

*Virtual University for Small  
States of the Commonwealth  
(VUSSC)*



*Mr. John Lesperance  
Education Specialist*

# *Snow Ball Effect*

Inspired by VUSSC, Marcia went on to do a Master's degree in Curriculum, Instruction & Technology and became an OER advocate.



*“I think of it as the VUSSC  
Snowball Effect...in the tropics.  
I remain grateful.”*

*Marcia Musgrove  
The Bahamas*

# *Technical & Vocational Skills Development (TVSD)*



*Dr. Alison Mead Richardson  
Education Specialist*

# *Concrete results in Nauru*



# *Lifelong Learning for Farmers (L3F)*



*Dr. K. Balasubramanian*  
*Education Specialist*

# *Increasing food security*



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*Every \$1 invested in learning, facilitation and networking resulted in \$9 worth of income and assets in India.*

# *Technology Enabled Learning*



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# *Commonwealth Certificate for Teacher ICT Integration (CCTI)*



# *Gender Cross-Cutting Theme*



*Ms. Rosanne Wong  
Gender Equality Manager*

# *Mainstreaming gender*



# ***Impact Evaluation 2006-2015***

- ***‘COL has had a major impact on individuals... is highly respected... flexible and nimble organisation which leverages partnerships...to achieve outcomes’.***

Stephen Murgatroyd with Janet Tully, 2015



*Thank you for your  
contributions*

