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Betreff: Re: WG: Written hearing Drs. 17/4177 "Rollout of "Digital Learning" programme for the future - promoting web-based studies at universities in Lower Saxony"

Dear Wolfgang

My apologies, this email escaped my attention earlier.

I would fully support the rollout of a digital learning programme. It is evident that developing skills in being digital learner will be essential for the citizens of any country, and it is a skill best developed through experience.

The programme does not provide any detail as to how the digital learning programme would be constituted. I would caution against an approach which simply takes existing content and places it online. One way to structure the programme is to consider a set of digital literacies you wish the learners to develop. These should not be simplistic, technical skills (for example being able to use a specific piece of software), but rather focus on abstract skills that are useful across the whole curriculum. For example, working collaboratively online, conducting online research, finding, assessing and reusing digital content, etc. Such an approach is being developed in Wales currently which will embed digital literacy across all subjects in the school curriculum.

I hope this feedback is useful.

Regards,

Martin Weller