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ACU Project: Past & Future

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The ACU Project initiated by the former Secretary-General of ASEAN in 2009, has been officially launched since 2012, when Korean Ministry of Education accepted the focal role of the project. The project aims to expand higher education opportunity in ASEAN and strengthen the relationship among ASEAN and Korea. It has four major areas of interests to enhance e-Learning in Higher Education, especially for CLMV (Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, and Vietnam) in order to establish a Cyber University for all ASEAN member states. Four major areas are as follows; 1) CLMV e-Learning Capacity Building, 2) Development and Implementation of common/open contents, 3) ACU-LMS & ACU-OER, and finally 4) Enhancement of ASEAN-Korea cooperative network. The 2nd phase of the ACU project has begun in 2016, and one of the distinctive roles of the project was to assign 4 consortia of cooperative universities in Korea for individual consultation and enhancement of CLMV member universities. The project defines three types of membership; 1) 1 or 2 member universities from each participating ASEAN states, 2) cooperative universities of Korea supporting individual participating states, and 3) participating membership that enables universities from ASEAN states to share the contents and their knowledge on e-Learning through ACU-OER.

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