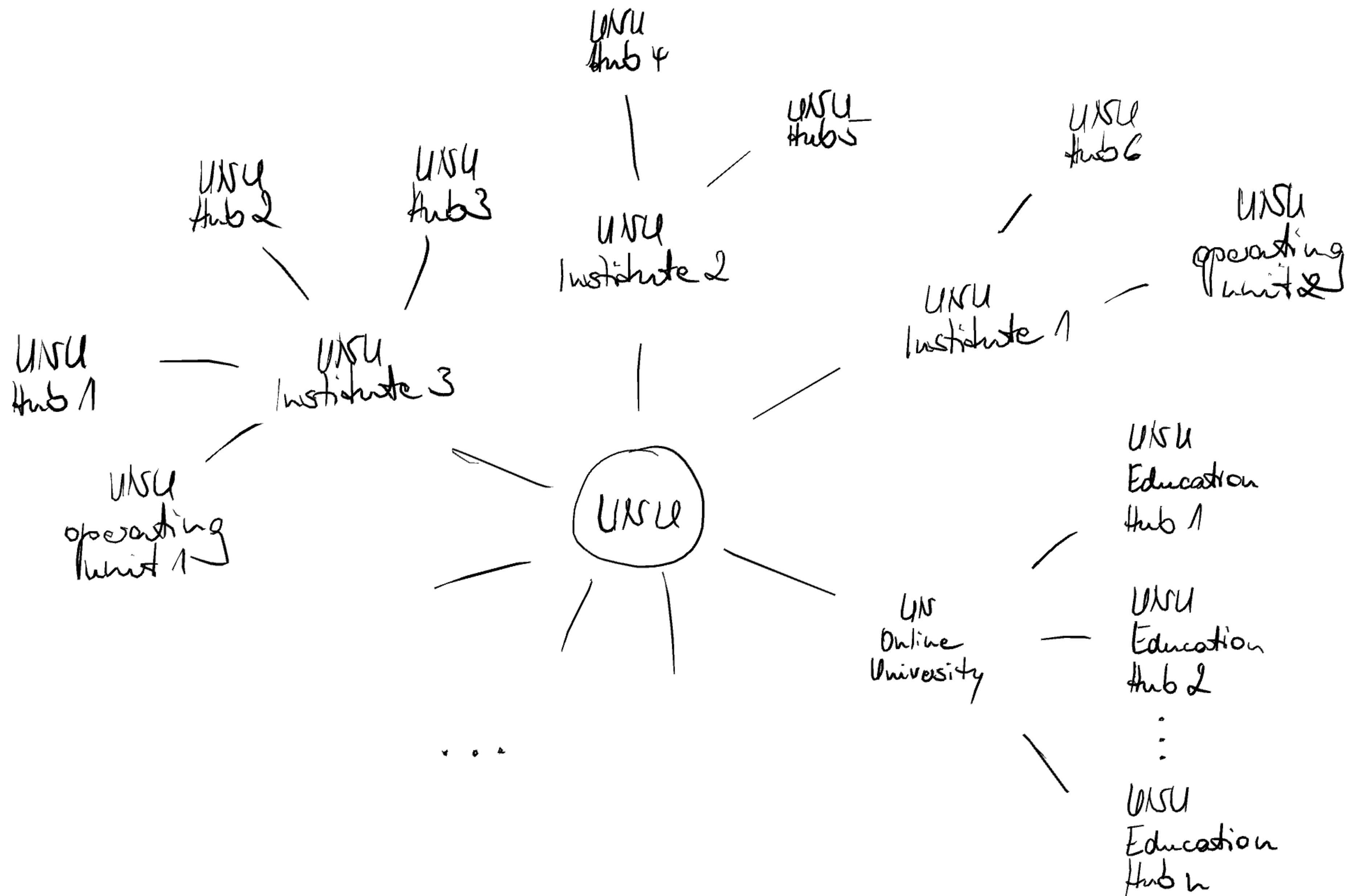


UN Online University for STEM education in LDCs

Session 5: Creating Virtual Networks of Educational Institutions

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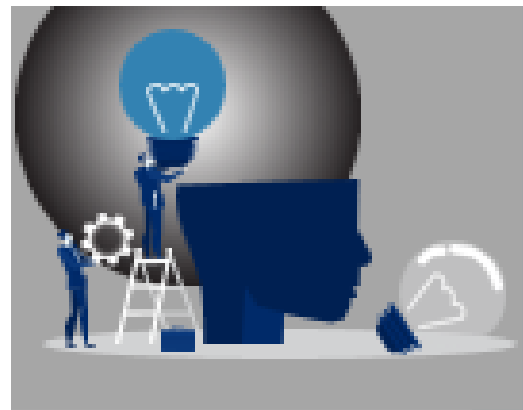


UNU system

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A university dedicated to being **“truly international”** and focused on the Charter’s goals of peace and progress.



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Institutes located in 13 countries



- INSTITUTES
- ◆ OPERATING UNITS
- ★ ADMINISTRATIVE & ACADEMIC SERVICE UNITS

Task forces / Working groups

- Technology for access (connectivity)
- Access to electricity
- Media (TV, radio, podcast, video, text, online)
- Accreditation (national legislation)
- Qualifications / credits (micro-credentials, degrees, badges, etc.)
- Funding
- Governance
- Beyond STEM

Thank you!



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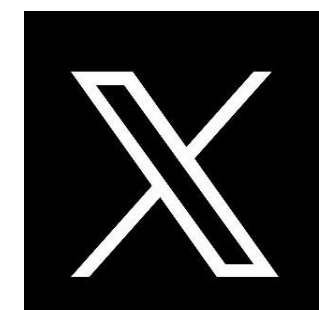
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Transferable practices from UN University and UN@80

Aligning with UNU's Mandate:

- to provide high-quality education, particularly in the Global South
- to address critical gaps in STEM knowledge and skills essential for sustainable development in the LDCs

Leveraging UNU's Expertise:

- track record in delivering educational programmes and conducting research on pressing global challenges
- institutionalized partnerships (e.g. joint degree programmes) with universities worldwide

Meeting Global Needs:

- focus on STEM education for the LDCs equips individuals with the skills necessary to drive innovation

Pooling Resources and Avoiding Duplication:

- pooling of resources and expertise avoids duplication across the UN system and maximizes the impact

Enhancing UN System Efficiency:

- the initiative aligns with the broader UN mandate of improving system-wide coherence and efficiency