



NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear GDN community,

This first newsletter of 2023 is an occasion to look forward to the exciting year that lies ahead. In 2022 most of us were able to reconnect with our colleagues and network in person again. I am thankful that we had the opportunity to celebrate 10 years of the Groningen Declaration Network with an amazing annual meeting in Groningen. More about that later on in this newsletter. 2022 was an important year for us because we had some major challenges to overcome. We managed to recover from the economic challenges related to the pandemic. The network came out stronger and more vibrant, thanks to our dedicated community. We had to say goodbye to our highly valued Executive Director Herman de Leeuw, to whom we are most grateful for his service to GDN. I will continue to be inspired by his thought leadership and never-ending motivation to add value to the educational community. But we also welcomed Joanne Duklas and Duklas Cornerstone Consulting (DCC) as our new Executive Director. They are off to a great start and I am confident that this collaboration will be a very successful one!

2023 will be a year in which GDN aims to bring even more value to the community. Keep your eyes open for added services that you can profit from as a GDN signatory, including access to video and presentation materials from the annual meeting. Even more important is our ambition to continue our work in the space of refugees and

displaced people around the world. Our discussion paper about these ambitions will be published soon and the

2023 annual meeting in Jordan will hopefully be a perfect opportunity to present practical results that work for the people that need it the most.

Looking forward to connecting with you all even more in 2023. For now, on behalf of the entire GDN Board of Directors, Happy New Year and all the best for 2023.

**With the warmest regards,
Jelger de Boer, President of the board
Groningen Declaration Network**



Jelger de Boer



BOARD EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

The Groningen Declaration Network is pleased to announce our new Board Executive Officers and invites you to take a moment to congratulate them on their appointments. We are excited to work with them in the coming year.



*Jelger
de Boer*



*Melanie
Gottlieb*



*Francisco José
Maldonado*



*Alexander
Knoth*



*Anthony
Manahan*

Click here to learn more about the full group of board officers.

WELCOME JOANNE DUKLAS

The GDN community is pleased to welcome Joanne Duklas of Duklas Cornerstone Consulting Inc. (DCC) as the new Executive Director of the Groningen Declaration Network Board. Joanne is an award winning researcher and consultant in higher education with several years of experience in post-secondary education. Her career includes serving in various senior leadership roles within the post-secondary sector on stakeholder boards. Joanne and the DCC team will work to support Karen Hanna, Conference and Events Coordinator, and Ton de Marck, Administrative and Communications Coordinator throughout this partnership.



Joanne Duklas

For additional information about Joanne, please click here.



2023 NETWORK ANNUAL MEETING



IRBID, JORDAN | OCTOBER 17 - 19, 2023

JORDAN UNIVERSITY OF
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

GRONINGEN DECLARATION NETWORK ANNUAL MEETING

Partners in Digital Mobilization

We are excited to announce that the 12th Annual Groningen Declaration Network Meeting will be held in the city of Irbid, Jordan on October 17-19 at the Jordan University of Science and Technology. Each year, stakeholder representatives, including those from over 100 organizations who are signatories to the Groningen Declaration, gather at the GDN Annual Meeting to share, learn and lead discussion on developing business and technical platforms to improve the data from learning experiences and the credentials attained via formal and informal learning environments. The overarching theme of the 2023 Annual Meeting is 'Partners in Digital Mobilization' which reflects the increasing interoperability of micro credentialing and learner accessibility.

Additional information will be shared shortly. Please click here for updates.

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*Jordan University of Science and Technology
(JUST) Campus*

T.R.U.S.T. HUB EXPANSION



GDN is excited to announce the expansion of the T.R.U.S.T. HUB with the inclusion of a new visualization tool which includes comprehensive information of networks around the world. We encourage you to visit the T.R.U.S.T. HUB to try it out. If you're interested in adding your network or hub to the T.R.U.S.T. HUB, please [click here](#) for more information.

The GDN is proud of its partnership with UNESCO and German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), with particular thanks to DAAD for sponsoring and leading the charge on creating this tool .

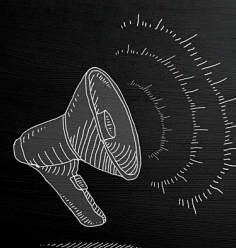
For additional information on the T.R.U.S.T. HUB, please [click here](#).

SIGNATORY FEES & UPDATES 2023

Our signatory fees for 2023 will remain at a very affordable €500 for not-for-profit, educational institutions and government agencies, and €2000 for corporations and companies. Individuals committed to the goals of the GDN can join also as an individual for just €250. Invoices will be issued in January 2023. As paid signatories, your organisation will be acknowledged on the GDN website with links to your site and will be issued with a badge you can feature on your own organisation website, showcasing your commitment and engagement with the Groningen Declaration Network and its work around the globe. Financial signatories also benefit from:

- Networking opportunities in an established international network that brings together the most exhaustive cross-section of sectors and stakeholders.
- Eligibility for leadership positions within the network.
- Discounted registration fees for the GDN Annual Meeting.
- Participation in the Annual Business Meeting during the GDN Annual Meeting.
- Future additional benefits and potential participation in GDN activities and projects.

Not yet a signatory? [Click here](#) to read more and apply.



VIDEO LIBRARY LAUNCH

The GDN is excited to launch a new video library featuring comprehensive sessions available to its signatory members and patrons. The library provides comprehensive and rich resources of past presentations in video format, including those from the GDN 2022 annual meeting. These sessions were delivered by thought leaders around the world who are using innovative technology and practices to support citizen mobility. If you are interested in tapping into this resource, we encourage you to become a signatory participant of the GDN.

To access the video library, [click here](#) and login using your GDN account. If you have difficulties logging in, please [click here](#).

GREAT SUCCESS OF 2022 ANNUAL MEETING



173 attendees from around the world, most of whom were in person, had the opportunity to enjoy the beautiful city of Groningen. The attendees enjoyed an action packed 3 day series of sessions and plenaries delivered by thought leaders around the world. The GDN board extends its thanks to the participants, and its host, DUO, who provided extensive support and hospitality for this event. Special thanks are extended to our sponsors, including Digitary by Parchment as a platinum sponsor, and National Student Clearinghouse, AACROA, World Education Services, DUO, University of Groningen, and the Foreign Credentials Services of America.

BECOME A PATRON

Patrons are organizations that have agreed to establish an ongoing financial commitment to the GDN by signing a Patron agreement, thereby assuming the prestigious role of Patron of the GDN. Patrons choose one of the following Patron tiers: Principal, Major, Sustaining or Supporting.

If your organization is interested in becoming a GDN Patron, please click here.

OUR PATRONS



SAVE THE DATE - APRIL 20 2023

The GDN is excited to launch its first regional chapter meeting on April 20, 2023. Called the Asia Pacific Symposium, this meeting in Singapore will be a full day event, bringing together corporations, governments and institutions to explore digitization models and start plans for our inaugural chapter as we work together to expand the reach of digital mobilization efforts. We are excited to announce Wesley Teter of UNESCO as a keynote speaker. Stay tuned for registration and other details in the coming weeks.

