

# Embedding creativity and critical thinking in Teacher Education: opportunities and challenges

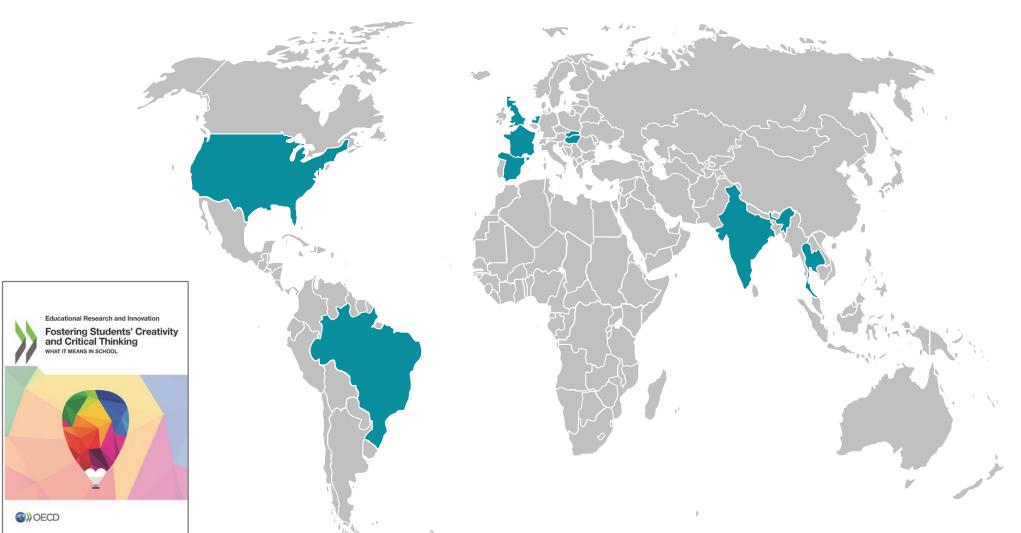
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## The OECD Fostering and Assessing Creativity and Critical Thinking Project



## Action research over 2 school years in 11 countries with 800 teachers and 20 000 students in 320 primary and secondary schools (completed)



Round 1 (2015-16): Brazil, France, Hungary, India, Netherlands, Russia, Slovakia, Thailand, United States

Round 2 (2016-17): Brazil, France, Hungary, India, Russia, Spain, Thailand, United States, Wales (UK),



## Action research with network of 23 higher education and teacher education institutions from 13 countries (ongoing)

Building an international community of practice of institutions around teaching, learning and assessing creativity and critical thinking

Australia: Monash University

Canada: McGill University, Ontario Tech University

China: Shanghai Normal University

Denmark: University College Copenhagen

Finland: Aalto University

Italy: Politecnico di Torino

Ireland: University of Limerick (NISE)

Japan: International Christian University, Sophia

University

**Korea**: 2 institutions

Mexico: University of Guadalajara, National

Pedagogical University

Portugal: ESSSM, IPVC, U. Aveiro, U. Lisbon

(IST), U. Porto, ULHT, UTAD

Spain: University Camilo José Cela

**United Kingdom** (England): University of

Winchester



- 1. Articulate a common **international language** on critical and creativity thinking in education
- 2. Develop a bank of pedagogical resources showcasing how to teach and assess critical thinking and creativity as part of curriculum
- 3. Develop professional learning plans
- 4. Develop and pilot evaluation instruments to measure the effects of pedagogical practices
- Identify supporting policies and practices at the institutional and system level



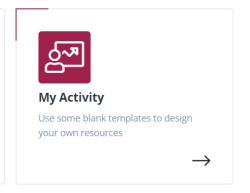


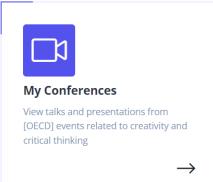
#### An app to support teachers and teacher educators to integrate critical thinking and creativity into their practice www.oecdcericct.com (beta)

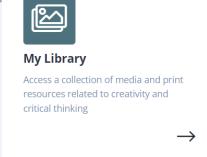




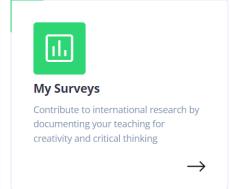












Please get in touch if you would like to be

involved in trial

Not intended to

stand alone -

part of a larger

ecosystem of

teaching and

Enables trial of

different contexts

resources in

learning



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#### Some challenges



## Some challenges of embedding critical thinking and creativity into teacher education and professional learning

Complexity of systems

Finding levers of influence

Being grounded in practice

Building the knowledge base

Time

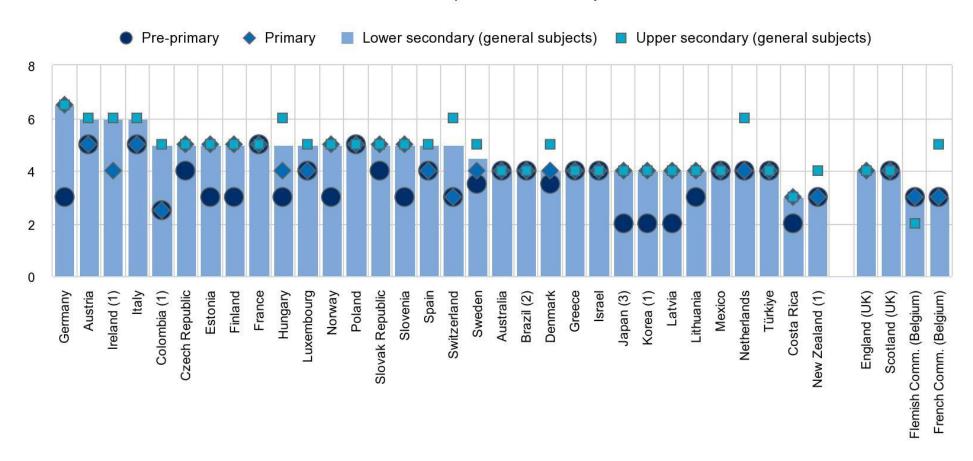
Creating cultures, leadership, alignment



#### **Duration of initial teacher education (EAG 2022)**

Figure D6.2. Duration of initial teacher education, by level of education (2021)

For teachers in public institutions, in years



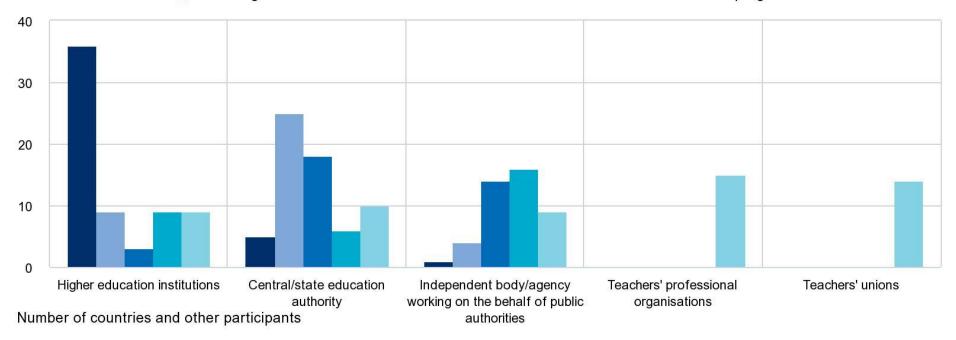


#### Roles of relevant bodies in decisions about initial teacher education (EAG 2022)

Figure D6.5. Roles of relevant bodies in deciding initial teacher education (2021)

For lower secondary teachers teaching general subjects in public institutions

- Designing the curriculum of initial teacher education programmes
- Setting a framework for the content of initial teacher education programmes
- Accrediting initial teacher education programmes
- Evaluating initial teacher education programmes
- Providing advice and recommendation on the content of initial teacher education programmes



#### Some opportunities



#### Some opportunities for embedding critical thinking and creativity into teacher education and professional learning

Ambassadors of change

Discussions around policy reform

Collaboration

Positive reinforcement not vicious cycles



#### **THANK YOU**

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