

Documentary Screening & Panel discussion

AI and Educational System in Hungary: Challenges, Risks and Opportunities

Wednesday 28 June 2023, 17:00 – 20:30 CET
Aranytíz Culture House, Arany János u. 10, 1051
Budapest, Hungary

Background

Artificial intelligence (AI) has the potential to transform education, we know, by introducing new teaching and learning practices, reducing inequalities in accessing knowledge and narrowing the technological divides between different countries.

The application of AI in education has been the subject of a large number of research projects in the last couple of decades. While many experts predict that the use of AI in education will increase dramatically in the next few years, rapid technological developments bring also multiple risks and challenges.

According to Hungary's Artificial Intelligence Strategy 2020-2030, making knowledge of AI technologies available to the broader society is vital for the future of productivity and economic growth. To make it happen, the preparation of teachers in public education and instructors in vocational training is particularly important along with the availability of the programmes within the framework of public education and vocational training to support students in becoming users of AI technologies.

However, the education system in Hungary has been the subject of controversial reforms in the recent decade. The centralisation of the educational system of 2010 has had serious implications on the institutions, curricula (the National Basic Curriculum was introduced), textbooks and teachers, who lost their autonomy. Hungary faces a deep educational crisis with schools being understaffed and remaining teachers being overworked while receiving salaried below the national minimum wage.

Teachers, their representatives, pupils and parents have been united by taking part in protests and demonstrations starting from the early 2022.

Programme

Moderator: **Kriszta Bombera**, journalist

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- 17:00 **Welcome**
FES Budapest and FES Future of Work Competence Centre
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- 17:10 **Screening of the documentary – Working Progress, Education 4.0** with Hungarian subtitles
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- 17:40 **Keynote speaker (AI in Hungary)**
- **Gábor Prószéky**, Mathematical programmer, linguist, founder of MorphoLogic, full professor at Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Faculty of Information Technology and Bionics, Director General at Hungarian Research Centre for Linguistics
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- 18:00 **Panel Discussion - Quo vadis? AI and the Future of the Educational system in Hungary**
- **Erzsébet Nagy**, member of the Executive Board of the Teacher's Democratic Trade Union (PDSZ)
 - **Gábor Prószéky**, Keynote Speaker – AI research and education
 - **Anna Emese Kerti**, Hungarian-Latin student, activist
 - **Aldo Montesano**, Director of the Working Progress Documentary
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- 19:00 **Q&A**
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- 19:15 **Concluding remarks**
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- 19:20 **Reception/networking**
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We provide English-Hungarian simultaneous interpretation.

The invitation can be freely forwarded. To attend the meeting, please register at the below link.



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