

Global Approaches to Generative AI in Education

The learning mind: cultivating wisdom and capability for an AI-transformed world

Tuesday 28 April – Wednesday 29 April 2026

Please note that this programme is still subject to change

Day One: London School of Economics and Political Science, CBG.B1.02

Conference Session	Speakers and Papers
9.30-10am	Arrival, registration and refreshments
10-10.15am	Welcome Ceremony Dr Claire Gordon, Director, Eden Centre, LSE Professor Samantha Smidt, Outgoing Academic Director, KCL Professor Sun Hua, Director, Centre for Excellent Teaching and Learning, PKU
10.15-11am	Keynote Dialogue on the Future of Universities in an AI-transformed world Professor Emma McCoy, Vice President for Education, LSE Professor Shitij Kapur, Vice Chancellor and President, KCL Professor Jiang Guohua, Provost and Vice Chair, University Council, PKU
11-11.45am	DI-IDEA panel (chaired by Associate Professor Ma Liping, Peking University) S. Joe Qin, President, Lingnan University (online) Jaeho Yeom, President, Taejae University Theo Lynn, Professor of Digital Business, Dublin College University Business School Ho Shen Yong, Executive Director of the Institute of Pedagogical Innovation, Research and Excellence, Nanyang University of Technology
11.45am – 12pm	Break and refreshments
12-12.45pm	Keynote – AI and the Future of Universities , Giles Carden, Chief of Staff and Chief Strategy Officer, University of Southampton
12.45-1.30pm	LUNCH
1.30-2.20pm	Practice sharing – LSE AI and education fellows panel (chaired by Stella Ekebuisi, Head, Digital Education Futures, Deputy Director of Eden Centre, LSE) Dario Krpan, Department of Psychology, LSE Antonio Mele, Department of Economics, LSE Jillian Terry and Chris Blunt, LSE 100, LSE Diana Weinhold, Department of International Development, LSE



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2.20-3pm	Keynote – Complementing human minds with digital brains: GenAI and higher order thinking development , Professor Chris Dede, Associate Director for Research at the National AI Institute for Adult Learning and Online Education, Harvard Graduate School of Education (online)
3-3.15pm	Break and refreshments
3.15-4.15pm	Panel – Teaching and learning in an AI transformed world (chaired by Associate Professor Ma Liping, PKU) Julia Chen, Director of Educational Development Centre, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (online) Huang Liang, School of Humanities, Southeast University Professor Graham Wynn, Vice President (Education & Student Success), KCL
4.15-5.15pm	Panel – The future of learning in an AI transformed world (chaired by Dr Claire Gordon, Director, Eden Centre, LSE) Oguz Acar, King’s Business School, KCL Georg Graepel, LSE and Christopher Leung, University of Cambridge Tamas Makany, Associate Provost, Singapore Management University Simon Walker, KCL, LSE and University of Southampton
6pm	Evening Reception, Bush House 8th Floor and Terrace

Day Two: King’s College London, Great Hall

Conference Session	Speakers and Papers
9-9.30am	Refreshments
9.30-10.15am	Keynote – Valerie Focke, Open AI
10.15-11.15 am	Employers panel (chaired by Professor Graham Wynn, Vice President (Education & Student Success), KCL) Jenny Taylor, IBM UK Early Professional Programmes Stephen Isherwood, Joint CEO-Market Intelligence and Insights, Institute of Student Employers Valerie Focke, Open AI Gil Perez, Global Chief Innovation Officer, Freshfields Matthew Tossell, Senior Partner, Hugh James
11.15-11.30am	Break and refreshments
11.30am – 12pm	Introduction and launch of DI-IDEA Competition: third Global Digital Intelligence Education Innovation Competition (introduced by Professor Sun Hua, PKU) Patrick Carmichael, Managing Director, Camtree, University of Cambridge Ma Liping, Graduate School of Education, PKU Feng Fei, Office of the Provost, PKU
12-1.15pm	Interactive session – How are we responding to the challenges and opportunities we have been hearing about? Provocations and group discussion facilitated by Dr Claire Gordon, LSE and Professor Samantha Smidt, KCL
1.15pm	Lunch and close

Overview of Locations

Date	Event	Location
Tuesday 28 April	Main Conference	LSE, CBG.B.1.02
Tuesday 28 April	Evening Reception	KCL, Bush House, 8th Floor and Terrace
Wednesday 29 April	Main Conference	KCL, Great Hall, Strand Campus