

# Follow the Sun

13–15 April 2011

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Three countries, three time zones,  
a non-stop global conference

## Programme highlights:

### UK Day 1 (Leicester)

Keynote by Professor Sugata Mitra — Web-based virtual ward for medical students (Dr Rakesh Patel) — Fast forward workshop (Dr Sandra Romenska)

### USA Day 1 (Seattle)

Keynote by Professor Terry Anderson — Pedagogy and m-learning (Debates) — Accountancy, law and German in 3D (Second Life)

### Australia Day 1 (Toowoomba)

Keynote by Professor Gilly Salmon — Collaborative mentoring in digital communities (Dr Shirley Reushle) — 3D worlds in education (Perspectives)

### UK Day 2 (Leicester)

Keynote by Charles Jennings — Learner voices from the developing world (Perspectives) — Creating open educational resources (Project Teams)

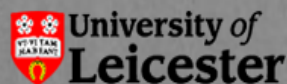
### USA Day 2 (Seattle)

Keynote by Dr Gardner Campbell — The lecture needs to persist (Stephen Downes) — Free-to-use apps and open source technologies (Randy Orwin)

### Australia Day 2 (Toowoomba)

Keynote by Professor Ron Oliver — Associate Deans effecting change in learning and teaching (USQ) — Hindsight, insight, foresight (Professor Gilly Salmon)

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Follow the Sun is the 6<sup>th</sup> annual international learning futures festival of the [Beyond Distance Research Alliance](#), which for the first time is being co-hosted by the [Australian Digital Futures Institute](#).

The festival will be entirely online and delivered through [Adobe Connect 8](#), [Moodle](#) and [Second Life](#) \*. It will take place non-stop over two days in six shifts of eight hours, with consecutive handovers between hosts in [UK](#) (Leicester), [USA](#) (Seattle) and [Australia](#) (Toowoomba).

Please join us for an exciting mix of [keynotes](#), [papers](#), [workshops](#), [debates](#), a [poster gallery](#) and [virtual world events](#) as we **Follow the Sun!**

## Time Zones\*\*

Host	Local date	Local start time	Local end time	Host	Local date	Local start time	Local end time
UK Day 1	13 April	09:00	17:00	UK Day 2	14 April	09:00	17:00
USA Day 1	13 April	09:00	17:00	USA Day 2	14 April	09:00	17:00
Australia Day 1	14 April	10:00	18:00	Australia Day 2	15 April	10:00	18:00

## Prices

	Early Bird (cut off midnight GMT 25 March)	Standard
Individual	£30***	£50
Group of 5 from one institution	£125	£200
Student	£20	£25
International Council for Open and Distance Education (ICDE) member	£25	
University of Leicester and University of Southern Queensland staff and students	Free	

\* Please note Second Life is complementary to the main conference and delegates who are unable to use the application will not miss out. All scheduled SL events will be beamed into the conference platform for non-avatars to watch.

\*\* UK = BST (British Summer Time); USA = PDT (Pacific Daylight Time); Australia = EST (Eastern Standard Time).

\*\*\* As the online payment facility — based at the University of Leicester, UK — can process only pounds sterling, delegates will be charged the equivalent amount in their own currencies by their credit card issuer at the time of registration.

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