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E-LEARNING@FOI

Forming an e-learning support center at FOI practical approach

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Lecture Outline

- About Faculty of Organization and Informatics
- E-learning at FOI past
- E-learning at FOI present
- FOI e-learning strategy
- FOI e-learning support center
- Conclusion



Faculty of organization and informatics

- In accordance with the Bologna Declaration recommendations, the study at FOI has been established on the three-level model encompassing the:
 - Undergraduate study
 - Information Systems
 - Business Systems
 - Economics of Entrepreneurship
 - Graduate study
 - Information and Software Engineering
 - Business Systems Organization
 - Databases and Knowledge Bases
 - Teacher of Informatics
 - Postgraduate (doctoral) study
 - Postgraduate (specialized) studies
 - Information Society Organizations Re-engineering
 - Business Systems Management
 - Security Management of IS





Faculty of organization and informatics

- Some facts
 - 80 professors and assistant professors
 - 2500 students (2000 active in LMS)
 - Around 100 courses in LMS
 - 60% active
 - 30% in preparation
 - 10% inactive
 - Future predictions (based on FOI strategy)
 - 31.12.2008.

140 active courses (40% of courses at e-learning level FOI 2)

- 01.01.2010.
 - Over 250 active courses (70% of courses at e-learning level FOI 2)
 - 100% of students that have used LMS





E-learning at FOI - Past

- No central coordination
- No support
- Diverse approaches
- Different platforms
 - FOI CMS
 - FOI Distance Learning (FDL)
 - E-Learner
 - FOI CMC
 - WebCT
- 2005 First Moodle installation testing purposes
- 2006 First document describing possible e-learning implementation at FOI
- 2007 E-learning committee was formed





E-learning at FOI - Present

- E-learning Strategy (2008 2010)
- Support from top management
- Central coordination
 - e-learning committee
- Support provided
 - e-learning support center
- Standard platform
 - Moodle





E-learning at FOI - Strategy

- Define and describe advantages of e-learning
- Set goals that are planed to be achieved by implementing e-learning
- Define strategic actions that will lead to achieving this goals
- By implementing e-learning FOI plans to achieve following strategic goals:
 - To enhance quality of educational process and learning outcomes
 - To prepare students for lifelong learning
 - To ensure that potential students have better and wider access to education
 - To provide exposure to international market



E-learning at FOI - Strategy

- Systematic implementation of e-learning contributes to enhancement of teaching and research process, business position of FOI, personnel development and lifelong learning
- Basic guidelines:
 - E-learning is legal and desirable approach to teaching and learning
 - Level of e-learning implementation is determined by methodological and pedagogical needs and not by imperative of usage of modern technologies.
 - Different aspects of e-learning at FOI represent area of scientific research because its direct link to information sciences





Where to start?

Level FOI 1

To increase availability of learning materials and to ease communication with students

Level FOI 2 To ease learning process trough better integration between e-learning and classic teaching

Level FOI 3

To advance teaching methods by hybrid course organization made by principles of instructional design



- Level FOI 1
 - Basic course information
 - Detailed course description
 - Learning outcomes
 - Literature
 - Selected learning materials
 - General discussion forum



Level FOI 1

Uv	od		
	Forum s vijestima Forum za diskusije Osnovne informacije Ishodi u čenja	Broj nepročitanih poruka: 2 o kolegiju	
	Model praćenja stude D Plan i program rada Literatura	nata	
1	Nastavni materijali Uvodno predavanje Matematički modeli i s Matematička logika Skupovi i relacije Matrice i determinante		
	📆 Rješavanje sustava li	nearnih jednadžbi	



- Level FOI 2
 - Selected learning materials organized by topics
 - Advanced forum usage: general forum, forums linked to specific topics
 - Calendar of important events
 - Announcements
 - Self [evaluations] linked to specific topics
 - Full grading system
 - Glossary

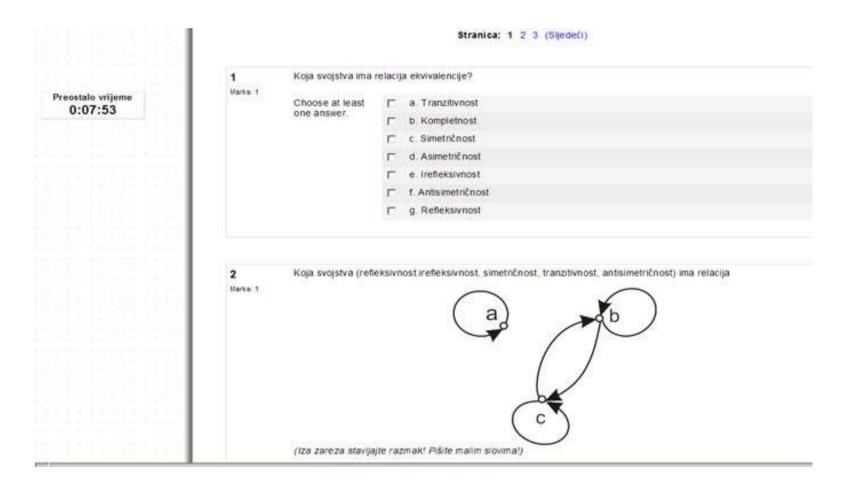


Level FOI 2





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E-learning at FOI – Strategy

• Quantitative Indicators

Indicator	Value	Deadline
Percentage of courses (undergraduate study) at level FOI1	100%	01.06.2008.
Percentage of students (undergraduate study) that have taken e-learning courses	100%	01.06.2008.
Percentage of courses in LMS	100%	01.01.2010.
Number of persons employed in e-learning support center	3	01.01.2010.



• Main activities

- To provide and to plan e-learning infrastructure
 - Hardware and the software needed for the e-learning process
 - Planning for the future requirements
- Workshops and trainings
 Technically oriented but with elements of pedagogy
 - Basic training sessions (LMS usage)
 - Advanced training sessions (Advanced LMS usage + pedagogy)
- To provide help in running e-learning courses
 - Initial set up
 - Ongoing counseling on best usage of given technology
- Help desk
 - Teacher & student support (e-mail based)
- Special solutions development



- Additional activities
 - To monitor e-learning implementation at FOI
 - To promote and coordinate activities related to e-learning
 - To provide support for FOI e-learning committee
 - Cooperation with University e-learning Center
 - Research on e-learning
 - Participating in projects on e-learning



- 1 person working part time on e-learning support (3 persons planed)
- 1 more person will be hired next month (on faculty founds)

Competences

Advanced experience in Web application development (PHP, Java); Multimedia development; Information systems Development; Network infrastructure;

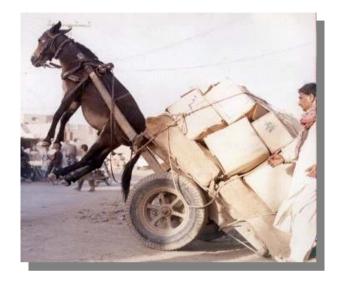
> E-learning theory; Instructional design; Tutoring experience; Pedagogy in e-learning;

Low Level of e-learning implementation

High



- How to:
 - Form procedures
 - Set time for consultations
 - Show and explain
 - Organize workshops
 - Relay on professors to help
 - E-learning introduction to new students
 - Best practice + feedback
 - Help with workshops (pedagogy, examples from practice)
 - Automate procedures
 - Automatic course creation
 - Automatic student enrolments
 - Promote e-learning
 - Relay on Open Source





Information to Highlight

- Important to identify role of e-learning in mission of the faculty
- Support from top management is crucial
 - E-learning strategy
- Required support from the university
 - Financial and in human resources
- Coordination of activities between support centers in Croatia, exchange of good practice
- Coordination of activities between Ministry and Universities