



OEC's Globally Diverse and Inclusive Board of Directors

CONCORD, Mass. - April 22, 2019 - [PRLog](#) -- OEC's new Board of Directors is now in place. Special thanks to all candidates who stood for election and all OEC members who voted. OEC strives to ensure its Board is globally diverse and inclusive. Seven of the thirteen Board members are women and nine different countries are represented.

OEC Board members are:

- Willem van Valkenburg, President of the Board, Netherlands
- Sophie Touzé, Past President, France
- Katsusuke Shigeta, Japan
- Lena Patterson, Canada
- Alexis Clifton, USA
- Allyn J Radford, Australia
- Hsu-Tien (Marian) Wan, Taiwan
- Constance Blomgren, Canada
- Som Naidu, Fiji
- Jane-Frances Obiageli Agbu, Nigeria
- Martin Dougiamas, Australia
- Melissa Layne, USA
- Paul Stacey, Canada

The Open Education Consortium (OEC) is pleased to announce the appointment of Willem van Valkenburg as board president. Willem van Valkenburg is currently Manager of Teaching & Learning Services at Delft University of Technology, a member of the Delft Extension School for Open & Online Education leadership team, and serves on the Delfland Water Authority board. Willem has been involved in open education since 2006 and has served as an OEC board member since 2013.

Also joining the Board is Martin Dougiamas, Founder and CEO of Moodle. Martin's years of service, global experience and strategic business knowledge will be an asset to the Board.

OEC is grateful to Sophie Touzé for her leadership as President over the past two years and to the other Board members whose term has ended including:

- Amanda Coolidge, Canada
- Yu-Lun Huang, Taiwan
- Stavros Xanthopoulos, Brazil
- Tian Belawati, Indonesia, and
- Peter Smith, USA.

We also thank James Glapa-Grossklag, USA, who has agreed to continue as Treasurer in a non-voting capacity until a new Treasurer is elected.

You can find a full description of OEC Board members at <https://www.oecconsortium.org/about-oec/board-of-directors/>.

About the Open Education Consortium <http://www.oeconsortium.org/>

The Open Education Consortium (OEC) is a non-profit, global, members-based network of open education institutions and organizations. OEC represents its members and provides advocacy and leadership around advancement of open education globally. OEC works with its members to build capacity to find, reuse, create and share Open Educational Resources (OER), develop open policy, create sustainable open education models, and enable international collaboration and innovation. OEC annually coordinates and hosts Open Education Week, the Open Education Global conference, and Open Education Awards for Excellence. Collectively these efforts aim to bring high quality, inclusive education to all learners around the world.

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