

World Digital Education Conference 2026 – “Artificial Intelligence and Governance: Transforming Education, Driving Development”

1. BASIC PROJECT INFORMATION

Official Project Title	World Digital Education Conference 2026 – “Artificial Intelligence and Governance: Transforming Education, Driving Development”
Acronym / Short Name	WDEC 2026
Programme / Funding Source	World Digital Education Alliance (WDEA) / World Digital Education Conference (WDEC)
Duration	11–13 May 2026, Hangzhou, China
Coordinator	World Digital Education Alliance (WDEA), in cooperation with relevant Chinese educational institutions and international partners
Partner Institutions	Universities, educational and research institutions, international organisations, experts and representatives in the fields of digital education, artificial intelligence and education policies from multiple countries

2. PARTICIPATION OF UNIVERSITY SKOPJE ACADEMIC STAFF

Name and Surname: Prof. Dr. Ana Sekulovska Jovkovska

Academic Title: Associate Professor

Role / Function in the Project: International participant and representative of University Skopje at World Digital Education Conference 2026; participant in the activities of the World Digital Education Alliance (WDEA)

Specific Contribution to the Project

Active participation in the international conference and contribution to the academic and expert exchange of knowledge and experience in the areas of artificial intelligence in education, digital transformation, contemporary governance of education systems and the development of smart learning environments. Contribution through the presentation and promotion of experiences and practices from North Macedonia, as well as establishing contacts with international experts, universities and institutions for future academic and project cooperation.

3. CONTENT AND ACHIEVED RESULTS

Brief Project Description

World Digital Education Conference 2026, held in Hangzhou, China, is an international forum dedicated to the transformation of education under the influence of artificial intelligence and digital technologies. Under the theme “Artificial Intelligence and Governance: Transforming Education, Driving Development”, the conference focused on the opportunities and challenges of applying AI in education, the digital transformation of teaching and learning, contemporary governance models and the development of innovative and smart educational environments. The event enabled the exchange of international experiences, good practices and innovative approaches, as well as the establishment of cooperation among universities, research institutions, experts and education policy makers.

Key Results / Outputs

International exchange of knowledge and good practices in the field of AI and digital education.

Publications / DOI / Other Relevant Scientific Results

“AI-Driven Educational Transformation in North Macedonia: Best Practices and Pathways Toward Smart Learning Environments” – academic paper/case study related to the WDEA initiative for good practices in the field of AI in education. The study from North Macedonia was selected among the Top 100 AIED Best Practices, with a certificate awarded, and the results provide a basis for a further scientific publication.

4. SIGNIFICANCE FOR THE FACULTY

Benefits for Students, Teaching and/or Research

Participation in World Digital Education Conference 2026 has direct significance for the development of teaching and research at University Skopje, particularly in the areas of artificial intelligence, digital transformation and contemporary educational technologies. The acquired knowledge and international practices can be integrated into teaching content, student projects, bachelor's and master's theses and future scientific research. Of particular significance is the international recognition of the study from North Macedonia through its inclusion among the Top 100 AIED Best Practices, contributing to the international visibility of University Skopje and creating opportunities for new partnerships and joint scientific research projects.

5. LINK

Official Website / Project Link: World Digital Education Conference 2026 / World Digital Education Alliance (WDEA)