

**REPORT on:**

The 16<sup>th</sup> iEARN Conference 13<sup>th</sup> Youth Summit  
Under Theme:

**Innovative Technologies and Cross Cultural Dialogue For Quality Education**  
Ifrane, Morocco, July 19-25, 2009

16<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL iEARN CONFERENCE  
AND 13<sup>th</sup> YOUTH SUMMIT



**Main Objectives of the Conference:**

- Build effective partnership locally, regionally, and globally.
- Raise awareness of the potential of ICTs in education.
- To develop and prospect Pedagogical contents in countries around the world
- To share successful classroom project examples that make a meaningful difference, and ideas/models of curriculum/classroom learning enhancement.
- To use communication technology in education to improve health and environment welfare among communities.

**Participants: 53 Countries**

Youth	Adults	Components of the Conference
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ 100 Students Unlimited belonging to different countries and cultures around the world who worked on Unlimited Youth projects in their schools.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Project facilitators</li> <li>✓ Teachers, Innovators</li> <li>✓ Administrators and supervisors.</li> <li>✓ Organizations and private bodies representatives.</li> <li>✓ Guest workshop animators.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <b>Youth Summit meeting.</b></li> <li>✓ <b>Teacher Training Workshops</b></li> <li>✓ Youth Unlimited Projects projection and discussion.</li> <li>✓ Film shows</li> <li>✓ Tours</li> <li>✓ Cultural shows.</li> <li>✓ Hicking.</li> </ul>

**Saturday 18/07/09 Participants' Arrival at University Al Akhayawn, Ifrane, Morocco**



Participants from different cultures meet: communication is already taking place.



The organizing committee (in blue T-shirts) welcoming and registering the participants



Youth organizing committee taking charge of their foreign peers.

Sunday 19/07/09 Informal **OPENING CEREMONY**, Al Akhawayn University



Welcoming speeches by officials of iEARN, MEARN & Al Akhawayn



Awarding ceremony



Knowing each other



Knowing each other



Folkloric welcoming party



Immediately After



Adults & Youth from different countries discuss their projects using multimedia



moments of non-stop dialogue



Moments of non-stop cross-cultural communication



Evening: Moroccan cultural show



Hanna tattoos

Monday 20/ 07/09



Official Opening



Awards by MEARN and other associations to Moroccan and iEARN International figures in gratitude of hard work



Cultural aspect is omnipresent



Concurrent workshops continue after official opening



Different abilities have a place in iEARN



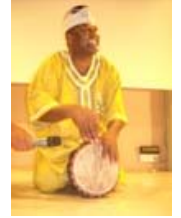
Youth & adults



Afternoon : Hiking



Evening : International Cultural Night



### Tuesday 21 /07/2009 : a Day Tour to the Cultural City , Fez



At the carpet shop



Lunch time

### Wednesday 22/07/2009



Plenary: Adobe Voices Project



A workshop in a Computer Lab



Youth collaborating at work



Participants at international food restaurant



Afternoon activity: soccer match: international team



Evening activity: music show



Moroccan wedding traditions with participation of international youth



**Thursday 23/07/09 morning**



Plenary session



Concurrent Workshops for adults and youth



Afternoon: free time and murals exhibition



half-day tour to Meknes city and Volubilis



**Friday 24/07/2009: Workshops, Closing Ceremony and Gala Dinner**



Plenary session



Concurrent workshops



A Moroccan, American & Pakistani: so familiar



Friday afternoon: Closing ceremony



Preparations for open air Gala-dinner



Smiling, sign of joy and self-fulfilment



**Cross-cultural barriers no longer exist within iEARN community**