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***"Whatever the cost of our libraries, the price is cheap compared to that of an ignorant nation."  
(Walter Cronkite)***

### Welcome!

Welcome to the latest edition.

As always, please feel free to get in touch with me directly with any comments or suggestions you might have: [eva.hornung@cdu.cdetb.ie](mailto:eva.hornung@cdu.cdetb.ie) or 01-4989512 (direct line).

Please check out the CDETb CPD calendar and let us know of any courses you would like to see run in the future.

Happy Reading!  
Eva

### ***CDETb Continuing professional development***

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**Continuing Professional Development Calendar**

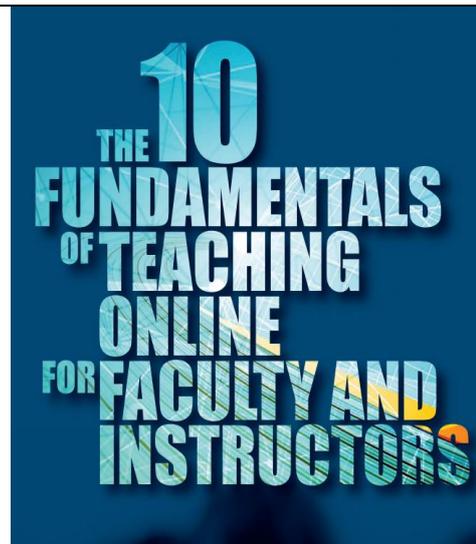
Application Forms for CDETb sessions are available from your school/college/centre or directly from CDETb (CDU) Tel: 01-4989512 Fax: 01-4989500 Email: [cpd@cdu.cdetb.ie](mailto:cpd@cdu.cdetb.ie)

Course / Workshop Description	Target Group	DATE (Full Range)	Website / Host / Email
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Please check out the online calendar on our website: [www.curriculum.ie](http://www.curriculum.ie)

Print copies of the calendar are available from Damien O'Reilly at [damien.oreilly@cdu.cdetb.ie](mailto:damien.oreilly@cdu.cdetb.ie) or 01-4989500.

## New additions to the library



### ***The 10 Fundamentals of Teaching Online for Faculty and Instructors***

Dr. Tony Bates has published a free [guide](#) for non-specialist educators on teaching online. While the focus is on Higher Education staff, teachers might also be able to extract some helpful advice.

#### **Africa in the Irish Classroom** From Ancient Civilisations to Present-day Encounters

a Curriculum Support Programme  
designed and aimed at First and Second Levels

#### **Toga the Dancing Goat**



#### **The Story of Ethiopian Coffee** by Dr. Tony Bates and Dr. Tony Bates

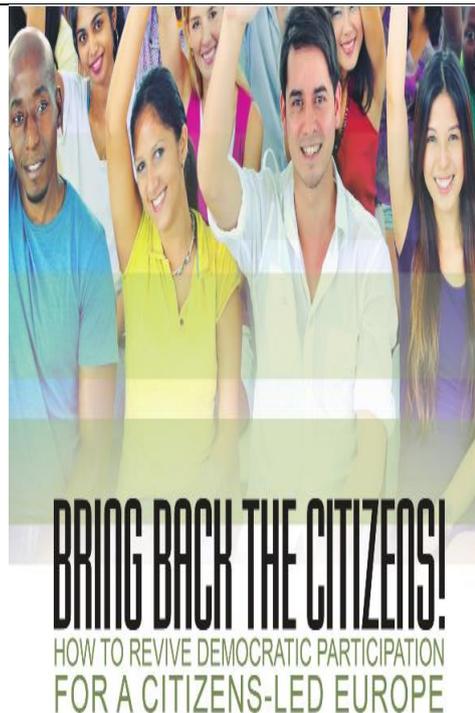
a Primary Curriculum Support Programme  
in fulfilment of the  
**Myths & Legends Strand Unit - History Syllabus**  
and related Social, Personal and Social Skills Education (SPSSE) subjects

designed, written and prepared by the  
**African Cultural Project / Africa Institute**

### ***Toga, the Dancing Goat: a version of the Ethiopian Dancing Goat legend***

Adekunle Gomez of the African Cultural Project/Africa Institute has retold this old story. "Africa in the Irish Classroom From Ancient Civilisations to Present-day Encounters" is a Primary Curriculum Support Programme designed and aimed at First and Second Levels, but might also be of interest to post-primary teachers.

This publication can be ordered from the CDU library.



### ***Bring Back the Citizens! How to revive democratic participation for a citizens-led Europe***

From FutureLab Europe's [website](#): why are European citizens turning their back on our political system and what needs to be done to give a new impetus to democracy in Europe? Is the EU as it is now compatible with participatory democracy? Is representative democracy the model to follow and can it be applied at every level of governance? Why has the EU lost its mojo among the people of Europe? Concerned about these developments, FutureLab Europe's fifth generation worked on a publication calling for concrete measures to address the root causes of these European malaises by bridging the gap between citizens and decision makers."



## **University of Oxford launches its first MOOC**

The University of Oxford has joined hundreds of higher education institutions in offering a Massive Open Online Course (MOOC). This [free programme](#), entitled "From Poverty to Prosperity: Understanding Economic Development", will look at the following issues:

The role of government and the key political, social and economic processes that affect development;  
Why societies need polities that are both centralised and inclusive, and the process by which these polities develop;  
The social factors that are necessary for development, including the importance of identities, norms, and narratives;  
The impact of economic processes on development, including discussion about how government policies can either promote or inhibit the exploitation of scale and specialisation;  
The external conditions for development, including aid, trade, migration, military interventions, and international rules for governance.  
(from their website)

You can enrol now – the course starts in February.

If you have any query about, or, indeed, any new idea or proposal related to curriculum or professional development, please get in touch with the Deputy Director [Miriam O'Donoghue](#) (087-6949094), or by phone at 01-4989500.

## **Other important websites**

Please don't forget to keep an eye on these established websites:

[CDETB](#)

[Department of Education and Skills](#)

[PDST – Professional Development Service for Teachers](#)

[NCCA – National Council for Curriculum and Assessment](#)

[Scoilnet](#) (free access to BritannicaSchool and the Dictionary of Irish Biography)

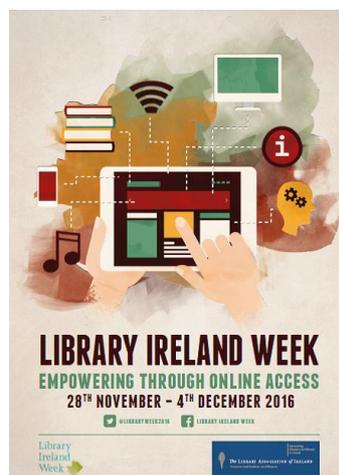
[FESS – Further Education Support Service](#)

[TES – The times Educational Supplement](#) (sign up for free)

There is always something new to discover! If you have advice on any other websites, please let us know.

## **Did you know that...**

it's Library Ireland Week? Check how your local library is [celebrating](#) or just pay a [visit](#)!



### On a lighter note...



**"Nice try, Bobby. Now just tunnel your way back and do your homework."**

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**If you have any ideas of resources that would enhance our work and that of others, please let us know. If we do purchase them, you'll have first call on them.**

#### **About the CDU library**

The CDU Library is a one-person special library servicing the information and research needs **of all of City of Dublin ETB staff**, and associates of CDU-based projects, including Trinity College Dublin and other university staff engaged in educational research. You can borrow books and use the library as a quiet study area. I can help you find other information. Check out our catalogue online at <http://curriculum.heritage4.com/>, or visit it through our [website](#).

Alternatively ring Eva Hornung, the librarian, at 01-4989512, or visit us!

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