Impacts of Globalization on Higher Education

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- Global forces
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1.Globalization impacts on Higher Education (HE)

- Global society as a mosaic of cultures
- Labor market: innovation & ready-to-work-knowledge
- Global skills race (reform and update)
- Globalization and HE mutual influence (driven and drivers)

2. Global forces

- Knowledge society (complementation)
- Influence of the market
- Knowledge-based economies: HE = development engine
- Export/Import oriented economies
- → Demand for Human Resources with technical quality and global in nature
- Companies have more sourcing options -> challenges

3. Challenges brought by globalization

- Paradox: skilled labor → Demand for HE ← BUT fewer jobs
- High-value work in low-cost countries
- Brain drain or circulation

 Human Resources Waste
- International knowledge networks
- Continues reforms
- Massification: investment / privatization
- Transparency and standards (financial, academic)
- Homogenization

4. Addressing challenges

1. Educational reforms

- Workers for knowledge based economies
- Non-material skills
- Lifelong learning
- Produce global leaders "cultural intelligence"

2. International Cooperation

- A) Governance reforms
 - HEIs, Governments, Int'l Orgs
- B) Internationalization
 - At home & abroad

4. Areas for International cooperation

A) Educational reforms (HEIs, Governments)

- Governance reforms (from outside HEIs)
 - Transparency & comparability
 - National investment and Privatization
- Teaching
 - Modular programs, work accrediation, etc.
 - multi & interdisciplinary
- RESEARCHING
 - Open and cooperative research
 - Industry-Academic cooperation
- OUTREACH
 - Cooperation outside campus
- MANAGEMENT
 - Open university and Decentralization
 - Competitiveness; finance and equity

B) Internationalization of HE

- Regionalization
- Des-penalization of mobility
- Quality Assurance
- Cross border provision of HE
- State promotion of internationalization
- Cross-border accreditation and co-operation.

Thank you very much

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