# Emerging trends and drivers of change in business and management education What's next for MENA?

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## Crystal ball?

## 1997: Was this a true prediction?

"Universities won't survive...higher education is in deep crisis...The college campus won't survive as a residential institution. Today's [college] buildings are hopelessly unsuited and totally unneeded"



Peter Drucker, 1997

#### Global trends affecting business education...

Growing competition

Changing learning needs

Economic pressures (inequality)

Globalization

Responsible leadership

Innovation and creativity (talent)

Climate change

Nature and mobility of work

Entrepreneurship

Digitization (disruption v learning)

Research impact

**Immigration** 

#### Global interconnectivity

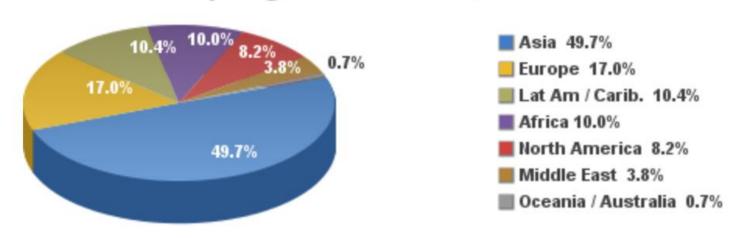
WORLD INTERNET USAGE AND POPULATION STATISTICS JUNE 30, 2017 - Update						
World Regions	Population ( 2017 Est.)	Population % of World	Internet Users 30 June 2017	Penetration Rate (% Pop.)	Growth 2000-2017	Internet Users %
<u>Africa</u>	1,246,504,865	16.6 %	388,376,491	31.2 %	8,503.1%	10.0 %
<u>Asia</u>	4,148,177,672	55.2 %	1,938,075,631	46.7 %	1,595.5%	49.7 %
<u>Europe</u>	822,710,362	10.9 %	659,634,487	80.2 %	527.6%	17.0 %
Latin America / Caribbean	647,604,645	8.6 %	404,269,163	62.4 %	2,137.4%	10.4 %
Middle East	250,327,574	3.3 %	146,972,123	58.7 %	4,374.3%	3.8 %
North America	363,224,006	4.8 %	320,059,368	88.1 %	196.1%	8.2 %
Oceania / Australia	40,479,846	0.5 %	28,180,356	69.6 %	269.8%	0.7 %
WORLD TOTAL	7,519,028,970	100.0 %	3,885,567,619	51.7 %	976.4%	100.0 %

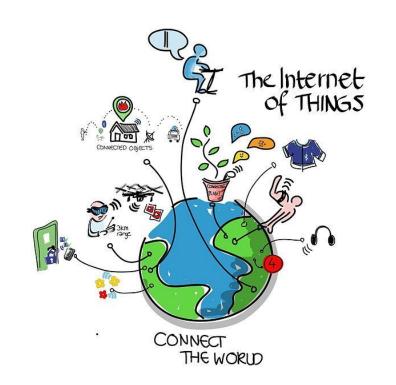
By 2020, 66% of the MENA region will have mobile/internet penetration

## MENA interconnectivity

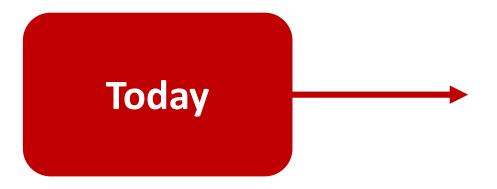
- Between 26-30 billion devices on the Internet of Things by 2020.
- Today, there are 3.8 billion Internet users.

## Internet Users in the World by Regions - June 30, 2017





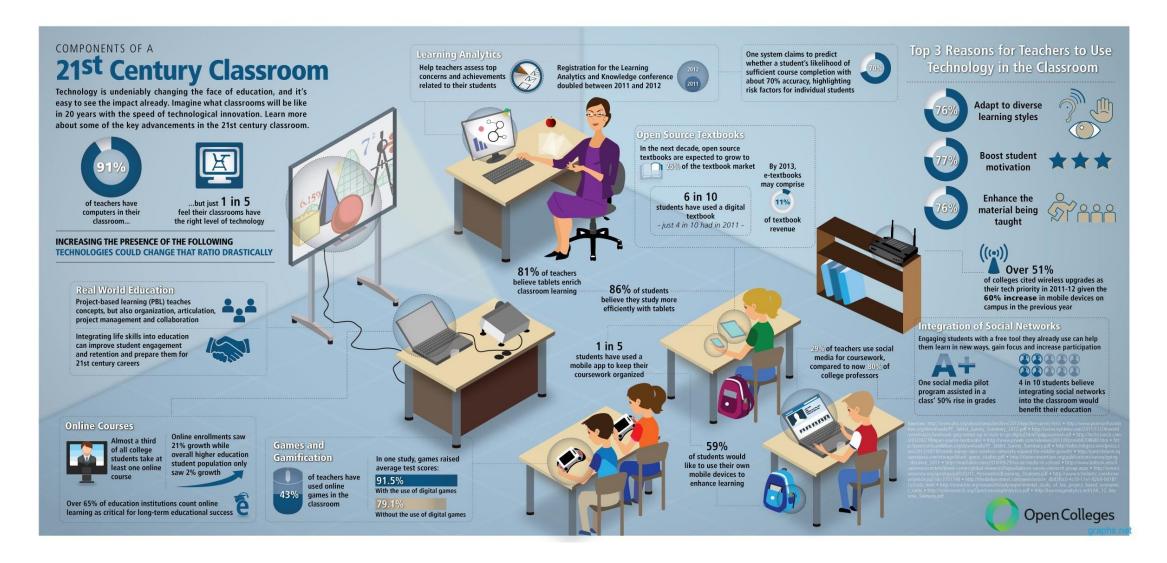
#### The world...



## 2017 This Is What Happens In An Internet Minute



## The classroom of today – "digitization"



#### Business and Management Education...

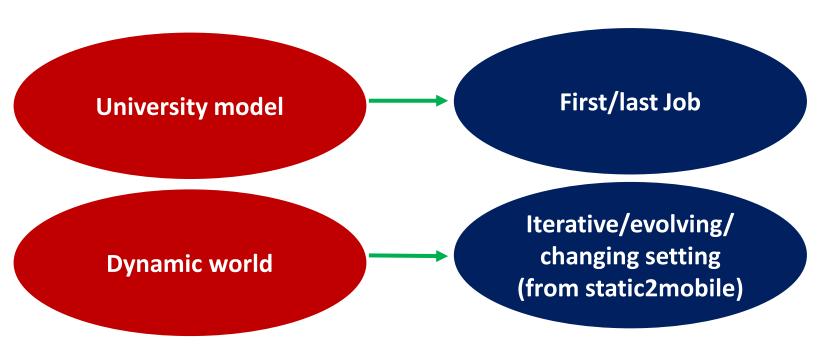
- Traditional/conventional methods/approach What's changing?
- Online and distance education/learning is it really growing?
   Where? What form? Degree and non-degree programs?
- Blended education/learning methods is it growing fast around the world? Is it really the **best of the 2 worlds** (mix of traditional and unconventional approaches)?

Business and management education for a **smarter** planet

More challenges, more opportunities...in the 21st century...**smarter** solutions

#### How human capital perceive learning?

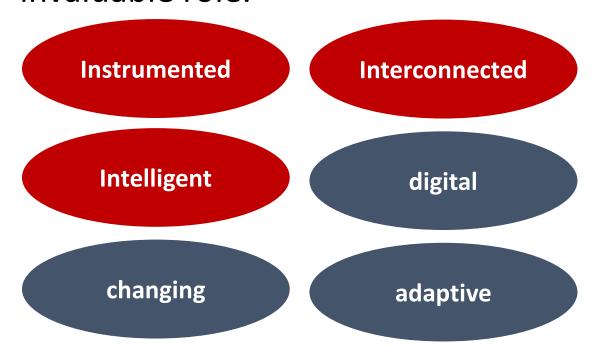
 Changing the mindset from once in a lifetime education to lifelong learning.





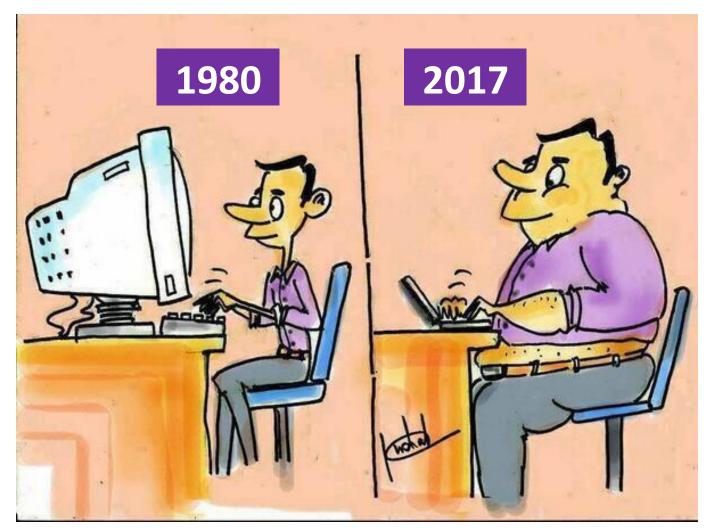
### The future of learning...today

 The world is changing fast and the emerging cutting-edge innovative information and communication technologies are playing an invaluable role.





## The "business" learner of today



Evolving, changing, adaptive environment/lifestyle



#### The world of MOOCs

- Massive Open Online Course; evolving since 2012.
- Interactive participants' forums supporting diversified stakeholders.
- Complementing traditional learning methods
- Free and universal access to education (different levels).
- Decrease the cost of higher education.
- Replace and substitute formal education.

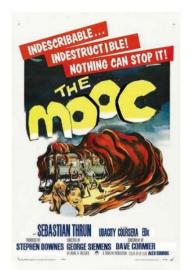




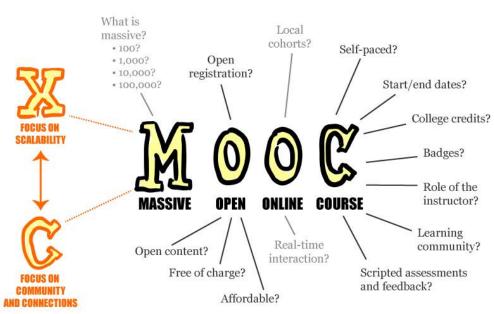






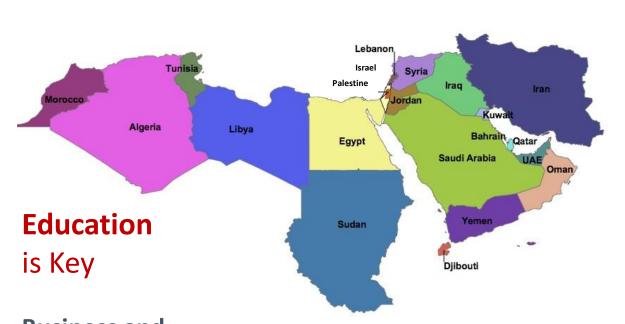


Coming to a university near you ...



#### Middle East North Africa Region

Arab region/Arabia/Arab World



Middle East/Near East Region



Business and management education is a priority

Young workforce 60+% < 25yrs

5,145,048 Square miles **350+** million people "customers" (6% of the world population)

One language, multiple dialects

Huge, young, labor force

Massive untapped resources

dialects 24/7 connected

#### Disrupt or get disrupted...

- **Digital technologies** are changing the nature of jobs; hence changing the meaning/definition of today's work?
- How can value be created?
- Moderation? Interaction? Access? On-off campus activities? What else?
- How long before students would complete a business/management undergraduate or graduate degree or non-degree program without going to a university? Will that ever happen?



#### New business models...new ways to think!

- **Uber** global transportation company with no cars...
- Airbnb largest accommodation platform with no real estate...
- Ali Baba massive global retailer in the click&mortar space with no inventory...
- Facebook the 2+ billion citizens network "extended continent" with no content...etc.

How can business schools adapt to the needs of the individuals who can/want to impact the future/society?

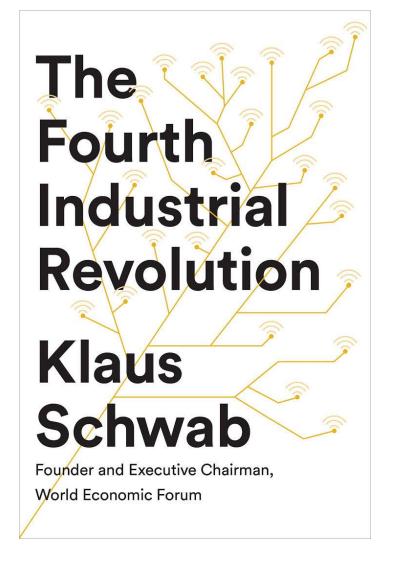
Technology +
business/management
education = society
transformation

#### 4<sup>th</sup> industrial revolution

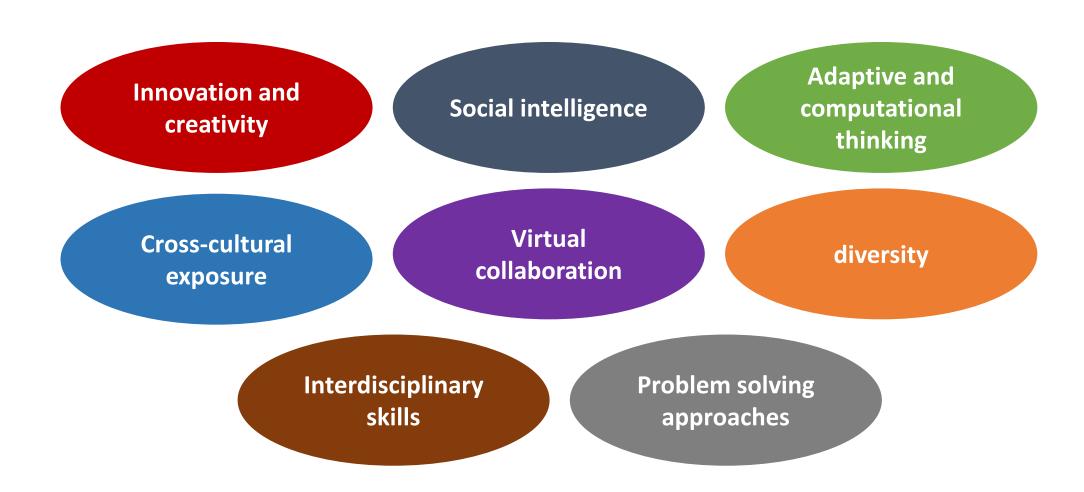
- What can business schools do?
- What needs to be taught?
- How should it be taught?
- Where are we going from here....!!
- Do we know?

Internet of things Robotics Drones

3D Printing Mobile Computing Artificial Intelligence



### What are corporates looking for?...tips for schools



#### What can business schools do?

## MENA is wide open for business education

- Investing in MENA's future requires investing in people with a focus on entrepreneurship and innovation.
- Creating an entrepreneurial culture will be a game changer for MENA moving forward...
  - offering business and management education must cater to the local needs while keeping an eye on the global market trends and directions **Glocalization**.
  - Developing new models of learning/knowledge delivery that are more interactive on and off campus with **full engagement** of business and industry.
  - Investing in technology access and **innovation** deployment to empower students and provide greater access to learning opportunities = **campus mobility!**
  - Technology can support the **democratization** and **access** of learning and knowledge.
  - Investing in internationalization through partnerships and collaboration.

#### Issues to address...

- Creating jobs! Creating companies?
- More opportunities! Better economies!
- More challenges, more innovation, smarter solutions!
- University-based incubators/accelerators for entrepreneurial activities!
- Partnerships with business and industry through degree and executive education programs and internships + co-investments "engagement" = participatory environment is invaluable.
- Fostering an entrepreneurial culture through a transformational change in the content and delivery approach of business and management education.

## How can business schools in MENA change the entrepreneurial space?

- The learning **approach** undoubtedly impacts future entrepreneurs and business leaders (action-based learning approach).
- In an **interconnected** ecosystem, the learning space extends 24/7 and the **tacit** knowledge acquired off-campus through technology deployment is magnified compared to the on-campus interactions.
- Way beyond case studies and internships but more exposure, interaction and bringing the startup culture to the extended learning space.
- Entrepreneurship is all about mentorship, empowerment and venturing into innovative endeavors, unless this is embedded into the curriculum setting today how can future entrepreneurs get there?
- Expanding the learning horizon through emerging technologies.
- Effectively engaging with the startup community.

### Entrepreneurship in MENA...









**AUC VENTURE LAB** 























Entrepreneurs' Organization





















































#### Example: the Center for Global Enterprise

- A research institute devoted to the study of global management best practices, the modern corporation, economic integration, and their impact on society.
- Focused on developing insights that help current and future business leaders build enduring enterprises in the globally integrated economy.
- Design and manage programs that enable individuals from around the world to have equal access to **leading-edge business knowledge**.



#### Global scholars program

- Online learning community that empowers individuals with skills, experiences, mentoring, and peer network critical to success in the global economy.
- Fills the business and management skills gap that exists between higher education and what is needed to be successful employees, leaders, and entrepreneurs in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.
- Proven method of delivering social and experiential online learning.

The CGE course changed the trajectory of my career and my business model. This is an example of how a single idea can change your entire life.

#### Learning programs



#### Alpha Team

Six-week, team-based virtual internship that convenes 21 global participants to address a real-world business problem for a company sponsor



#### **Micro-Course**

Four-week online training opportunity focused on building technical and business management skills



#### Micro-Lesson

One-to-two week learning experience featuring thought leaders sharing insights about current and future global business trends



#### **Expert Connect**

Webinar series in which business, academic, and community leaders discuss trending issues and respond to questions from around the world

#### **Impact**

Provided **105** individuals with innovative **virtual internship** experiences, leading to employment for several

Upskilled **86** entrepreneurs and SMBs on leading-edge **branding and marketing techniques** 

Trained **482** African students, entrepreneurs and professionals on platform **strategy and management** 

Educated **51** global learners on the intersection of **business and government** 

**19** alumni reported that a CGE course influenced their **decision to start a business** 

Enabled 2 CEOs of African companies to address pressing business challenges

Working on the Alpha Team was a transformational learning experience. The ability to collaborate across multiple geographies and cultures are key requirements for any individual wanting to succeed in an era of rapid change and innovation.

## Geographic scope

The Global Scholars network of individuals and educational institutions includes **180** universities across **92** countries



#### African business schools

- CGE is committed to enabling equal access to business learning throughout the world.
- Of the 180 universities and business schools in the Global Scholars network, **50 are African**.
- Students from 10 African universities have participated in Alpha Teams, including:

African Leadership University • Cairo University • Gordon Institute of Business Science • International University of Grand Bassam • ISCAE Group • Lagos Business School • Strathmore Business School • University of Cape Town, Graduate School of Business • University of Mauritius • University of Stellenbosch Business School

#### Alpha team: a virtual internship

#### **Purpose**

Meet the rising demand for individuals to gain valuable internship experience and bridge the gap between university and work

#### Scope

- CGE selects 21 high-caliber individuals through a competitive application process to participate in an online internship that provides a global, multicultural, and innovative learning experience
- Layers a virtual approach on the management consulting model to apply top global talent and a fresh management perspective on a real-world business problem
- Entire program is conducted online in a highly-collaborative learning environment
- Direct interaction between participants and senior executives at the sponsoring company, including an in-person final presentation
- Accessible to any qualifying student, professional, or academic faculty member, regardless of physical location

#### **Duration**

Six weeks; participants commit at least 5 hours per week

## Alpha team: a virtual internship

#### **Objectives**

#### Alpha Team Members

- Develop a global mindset and leadership, problem solving, and communications skills
- Gain business **mentors** and a global peer network
- Secure real-world business experience working remotely with a global team

#### **Company Sponsors**

- Acquire actionable and insightful recommendations to address its chosen business problem
- Increase its access to top talent from around the world

#### **Outcomes**

Upon completion, Alpha Team members will:

- Research, analyze, and develop actionable business recommendations
- Increase their global problem solving, leadership and communications skills
- Acquire a global peer network and business mentors

#### Drivers of change

Democratization of knowledge and access

Ubiquitous content

Broader access to higher education

Increased participation in emerging markets

Innovation and digital technologies

Bringing the university to the device (MOOCs)

Bringing the device to the university (infrastructure)

Blended learning

Internationalization and global mobility

Global markets are becoming competitors for students

Academic talent increasingly sourced from emerging markets

Growth of truly global university brands

**Integration with Industry** 

Scale and depth of industry-based learning

Research partnerships and commercialization

Industry as competitors in the certification and delivery of content Competition of markets and funding

Competitive domestic and international student markets

Competing for new sources of funds

#### Conclusion

 The role played by business schools should be sustainable and scalable to be able to realize the targeted impact on the society and that primarily should focus on being the educational partner that is...

> "promoting an entrepreneurial ecosystem that is government-enabled, private sector-supported, youth-led, innovation-inspired, knowledge-based and future-oriented"