

## **COMPETENCIES REQUIRED BY EDUCATORS TO USE LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES**

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### **ABSTRACT**

Living in a world that is constantly changing, forces teachers to adopt the use of technology and to integrate it in their teaching practices. Teachers are facing a new generation of learners who are continuously occupied enjoying learning with technology tools. Dealing with these net generation learners is not an easy task if teachers are not equipped with the necessary technology skills. Nowadays learners prefer to learn using online methods such as forums. This can be an obstacle for some teachers if they are not technology literate. It can be a threat to the popularity of the teaching profession and cease the smoothness of the learning process. To avoid these fears teachers need to develop certain technology competencies to deal with the 21<sup>st</sup> century learners. These competencies should be enhanced through professional development opportunities that are provided by the organization or the individual himself. These technology training courses should be done according to a systematic plan where collaboration of schools and individuals is required for the success of the process.