

PAEB 2020: Taking Academic Integrity to the Next Level in Online Education

The sudden shift to online education is a challenge and opportunity alike. At 'Plagiarism Across Europe and Beyond', a conference hosted by the European Network for Academic Integrity (ENAI), the global EdTech community discussed challenges and opportunities.

Cologne (April 2020) - PlagScan, safeguard of academic integrity worldwide, draws a positive summary of its attendance of the Annual Conference of the European Network for Academic Integrity (ENAI). As a Gold Sponsor of the first-ever online conference on 'Plagiarism Across Europe and Beyond', PlagScan intensively discussed with members of the global community challenges and opportunities of how to take the quest for moral standards and integrity further. One of the most important points brought up was the role of education for the future, and especially the future career of a student, regardless if they pursue a career in Academia or in any other industry.

The Future of EdTech From an Academic Integrity Perspective

In the face of the current 'forced digitization of education', the **keynote of Markus Goldbach**, **CEO of PlagScan**, shed light on how EdTech can shape the future of education. He stressed three things being essential to the future success of digital classrooms and distance learning:

 Connectivity: Solutions and integrations, with standards like LTI (Learning Tool Interoperability) being important to ensure seamless workflows for both instructors and students

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- Media Enrichment: Interactive whiteboards, video assisted learning, gamification among other solutions to engage students self-motivation and learning
- **Student Centered Learning:** Focus on students needs through blended learning, and more inclusion-oriented learning environments

Given the opportunities that are provided through technologies, the community agreed that digital tools were useless without further training and use case scenarios for the faculty. Also, with a digitization of education came another push for ensuring fair and equal education standards ensured through software solutions like PlagScan's originality verification through regular plagiarism checks and authorship verification.

The ENAI Test Result on Similarity Detection Software: PlagScan Among the Leaders

In February 2020, a group of researchers of the ENAI community published their research results on comparing performance, coverage and usability of 15 products worldwide. PlagScan scored highest in the categories 'usability' and 'English language coverage'. Read the entire report here: https://arxiv.org/abs/2002.04279

In continuing to drive product developments in the right direction, PlagScan is very happy with the insights gained during the sessions and discussions conference. PlagScan will continue to work on implementing the feedback and wishes of the community into its solutions.

To obtain a transcript of PlagScan's keynote, or to arrange an interview with Markus Goldbach on the future of EdTech and PlagScan's role in it, please reach out to press@plagscan.com or call +49 (0) 221 75988994.

General information on the technical background, further areas of application for companies and price models can be found at: www.plagscan.com





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