OpenWHO’s 5-minute video introduction to COVID-19 has proven to be a popular resource throughout the pandemic. In the 8 months since its launch, the video has been translated into 16 languages through partnerships with WHO country offices and volunteers. It was initially released in late January and revised in June based on the latest technical guidance.

In total, the videos have attracted more than 9.3 million views across all language versions on YouTube, Vimeo and the OpenWHO platform. They are included in the introductory COVID-19 course.

Overall, OpenWHO hosts 132 courses to support the coronavirus response, spanning 18 topics and 41 languages.
Healthy Ageing for Impact launches 2nd cohort

After a successful first round, WHO is running the leaders course Healthy Ageing for Impact in the 21st Century for a second cohort with nearly 800 participants.

The new course kicked off on 14 September and will run until December 2020. The programme builds the competencies and skills of government officials, UN staff and those working in civil society organizations in the field of ageing, enabling them to generate and drive action for the Decade of Healthy Ageing.

The programme operates in a collaborative online environment where participants work as part of a team and receive guidance from a dedicated tutor. Participants walk through an open, structured and solution-design process that involves individual and team assignments.

Throughout the course, participants receive inspiration from a range of distinguished global experts, thought leaders and practitioners. If you are interested in participating in future rounds of the course, please visit the registration page and sign up using your professional email address.

OpenWHO shortlisted for Learning Technologies Award

OpenWHO has been nominated for this year’s Learning Technologies Awards in the category of ‘Best international digital transformation of a training programme in response to COVID-19’.

The awards, which are internationally recognized and independently judged, highlight life-changing learning technologies worldwide. The 2020 shortlist was released in September after the call for entries brought a record-breaking response. The winners will be announced on 18 November.

OpenWHO’s nomination describes the scalability of the learning platform, which is provided by the Hasso Plattner Institute, as well as the translation of COVID-19 courses into now 41 languages.
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UPSCALE OpenWHO.org PLATFORM CAPACITY

From 180,000 to 4.5 million learner registrations in 8 months
Data and analysis for more than 200 courses
50 expert teams producing courses simultaneously
Systems for fully dispersed and remote production

SERVE THE VULNERABLE

Free access for all and low-bandwidth adjusted platform to ensure global reach
Expedited publishing in languages used by the most vulnerable populations
Machine translation process initiated for 15 languages of vulnerable populations

EMPHASIZE MULTILINGUALISM

Multilingual production capacity in all UN languages and Portuguese, and courses in 40+ languages
Crowdsourcing for translations through WHO country offices and regions, volunteers and institutes
PAHO Virtual Campus collaboration for Spanish and Portuguese production and course hosting on both platforms

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