How international collaboration may unlock localized perceptions of OER

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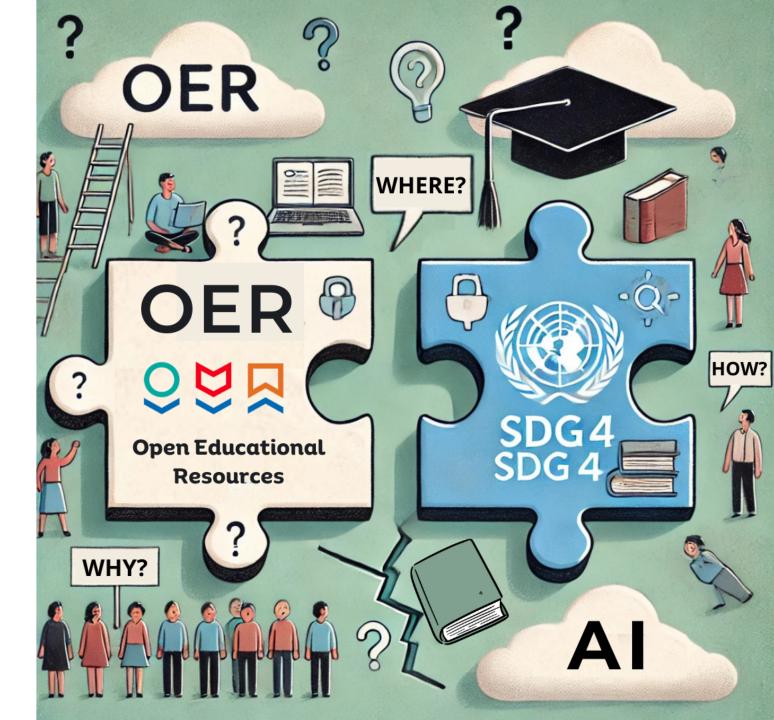






Key challenges:

- Lack of understanding
- Lack of awareness
- English dominance
- Cultural and legal contexts/diversity?





Multi-lingual ICDE OER projects 2022-2024





International project partners



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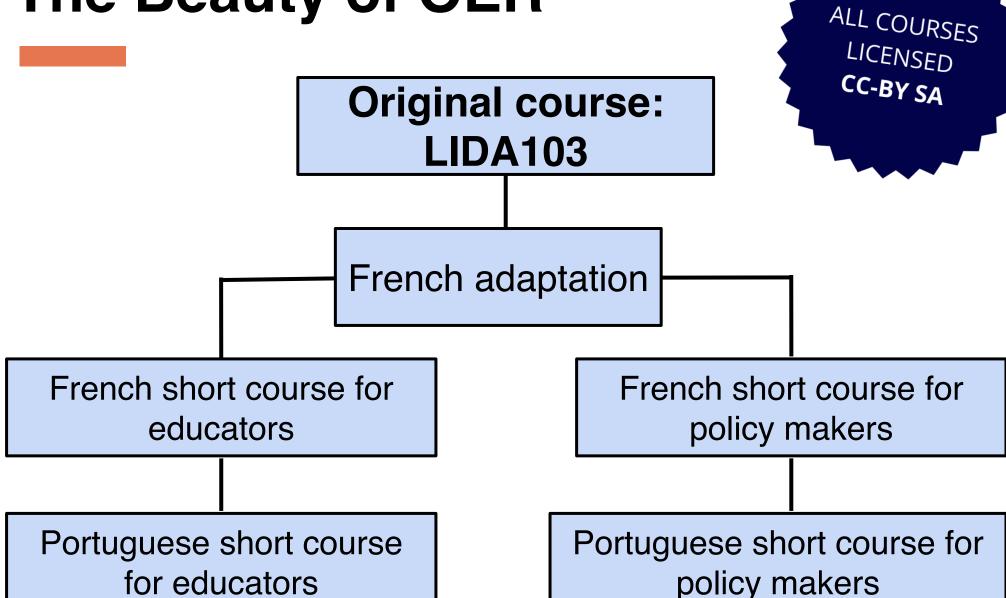








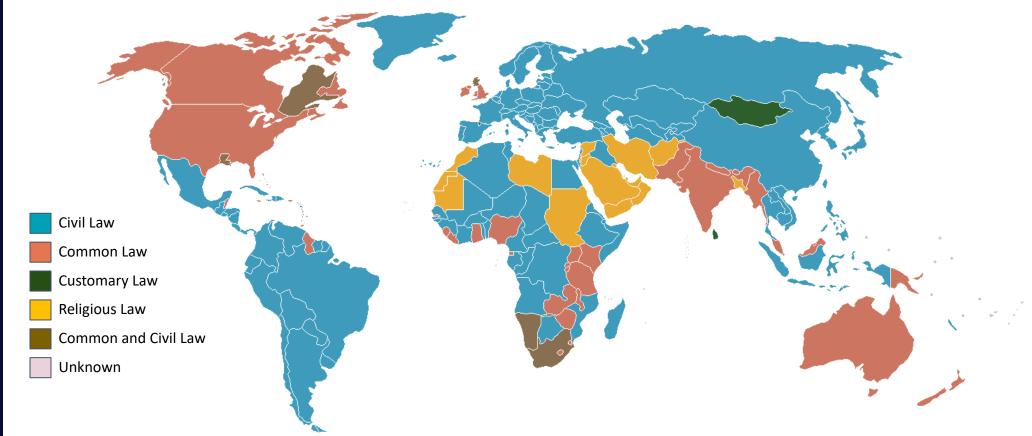
The Beauty of OER





Key Learnings

- Language and translation is only the beginning
- Legal and cultural adaptation is the major part
- Local ownership is key





ICDE'S OER Activities

- **♦** OER Francophone Working Group
- OER Portuguese-speaking Working Group
- OER Advocacy Committee
- **❖** ENCORE+
- Network of Open Orgs

















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