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The WACE Charter Renewal 2023

The WACE Charter was an outcome of a global consultation regarding co-operative and work integrated education and learning led by the World Association for Co-operative and Work Integrate Education (WACE) and launched at the President's Summit hosted at the University of Cincinnati in August 2019. The original charter is available on the WACE website: <https://waceinc.org/Global-WIL-Charter>.

The purpose of this renewal is to update the Charter calls to action in light of significant challenges faced globally since 2019, including a global pandemic. This renewal will guide WACE for the coming years and is intended to be the beginning of an ongoing process of Charter evolution and adaptation.

Renewed WACE Charter Calls to Action

In 2023, industry continues to face talent shortages, students are increasingly focused on finding meaningful work, higher education institutions grapple with post-COVID challenges to teaching, learning, innovation and inclusion and governments demand employable graduates. Quality CWIE contributes solutions to these challenges.

As a result, the renewed WACE Charter Calls to Action are:

1. Create a WACE Global Quality Framework. This quality framework will reflect the quality frameworks developed across our membership and guide quality practices globally that are inclusive and innovative.
2. Expand opportunities for all students to have quality, global WIL experiences.
3. Expand Global WIL practitioner training and development.

Measuring Progress

The WACE Global Strategy Council and Executive Council will establish annual goals for each of these calls to action. Progress on these goals will be reported to the WACE community on an annual basis.

Institutional Commitment

At the WACE World Conference in Waterloo, Canada on June 28-30, 2023, attendees commit to supporting these renewed Calls to Action.