### Perspectives for Mobile Learning in Higher Education in Bulgaria



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### Mobile Technologies

- Significant reduction of the device size
- Expanded functionality
- Access to high-speed Internet
- 55.9% of the Internet users in Bulgaria rely on their mobile phone



## Basic Advantages of Mobile Devices in LMS Usage

- Lower price of the devices
- Availability of mobile internet at a good speed
- Mobile phones are an integral part of everyday life
- Learning from any physical location
- Provide easier access to the learning materials
- Ensure easily combine of work and education



### Stages of the Research Process

Identifing LMS used in higher education institutions in Bulgaria

Identifing the main functionalities of LMS Analysis of the published mlearning materials



### LMS Used in Higher Education in Bulgaria

- Moodle
- Blackboard
- e-Learning Shell
- Own system



### Features of LMS in Higher Education

- Fast access to learning content
- A wide range of learning materials
- Flexibility and usability
- Cost effective
- Mobile learning support



### Analysis of the Published M-learning Materials

- Learning materials are mainly in the pdf and pptx file formats
- The modern functionalities of the mobile devices like:
  - Bluetooth
  - Camera
  - Geo location

- Face recognition
- Video streaming
- Audio recording

are not being used.



# Changes in Higher Education Toward to M-learning

- Improve infrastructure quality
- Design mobile pedagogies
- Training for academic staff on innovative pedagogies and curriculum design
- Development of innovative applications for education and training



### Key Considerations In Mobile Learning

- Devices and Technology
- Service Requirements
- Content
- Tracking
- Integration
- Function Analysis

### Roadmap for M-learning in Higher Education

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Support open technical standards

Cooperation between all responsible institutions

New policies with leverage on existing investments (national and institutional policies)



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