

## **A Review of Higher education trends in Asia quality assurance and development**

This research aims to understand the trend of higher education reform in major Asian countries. The main goals of this study are: 1. Understand the overall educational reform in major Asian countries after 1980s. 2. To explore the development of higher education policies in major Asian countries after the 1980s under the influence of globalization and regional development. 3. To compares and analyzes the development of higher education policies in major Asian countries from the aspects of pursuing excellence in HEIs, cultivation talents and promoting social mobility. 4. Discusses the challenges and future development of higher education policy in Taiwan under the influence of global and regional trends. To achieve the research goals, the research methods include document and literature analysis, and expert consultation. The research conclusions are as follows: 1. The overall educational reforms in major Asian countries after the 1980s are similar. 2. Under the influence of the global and regional trends, the higher education policies of the major Asian countries after the 1980s were guided by the government and adopted the principle of openness. 3. The major Asian countries share the same policy orientation in pursuing excellence in HEIs, cultivation talents and promoting social mobility. 4. HEIs in Taiwan and other major Asian countries face common challenges under the influence of global and regional trends. 5. HEIs in Taiwan and other major Asian countries will face more challenges due to the influence of COVID-19.

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