

# THE AWARDS ASIA 2021

## Teaching and Learning Strategy of the Year

<b>Institution name</b>	University of Management and Technology
<b>Submission title or project name</b>	Teaching and Learning Strategy (TLS)
<b>Nominee/key personnel</b>	
<b>URL</b>	
<b>Submission</b>	<p>For educators, teaching during the pandemic served as a challenge to effectuate a transformational change with no preconfigured outcomes in sight.</p> <p>With the closure of educational institutions in Pakistan, the University of Management and Technology (UMT) was amongst the first universities in Pakistan to shift not only its courses to virtual learning format, but also all its academic as well as administrative support operations to the virtual mode.</p> <p>The digital transition was facilitated by UMT-CONNECTED based on the Five Pillars of Quality Online Education proposed by Sloan-Consortium (Sloan-C). UMT-CONNECTED designed, appropriated, and improvised effective and context-driven strategies to facilitate the Teaching and Learning Strategy (TLS) and its systemic implementation.</p> <p>These strategies served as a tool to support and assess educational needs, identify and prepare for implementation challenges, and consider emerging responses and constructive feedback. The overall strategy ensured organizational buy-in across the institution using both top-down and bottom-up approaches.</p>