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## 🌟 ITEN's Future 🌟

Dear Colleagues,

This month has been of great progress for Project Teams. Logic Models and Vision & Goals documents are underway, and many of you are preparing to apply for [ITEN Seed Grants](#) and/or [Teacher Leadership Funds](#), both of which have a **May 1 deadline**.



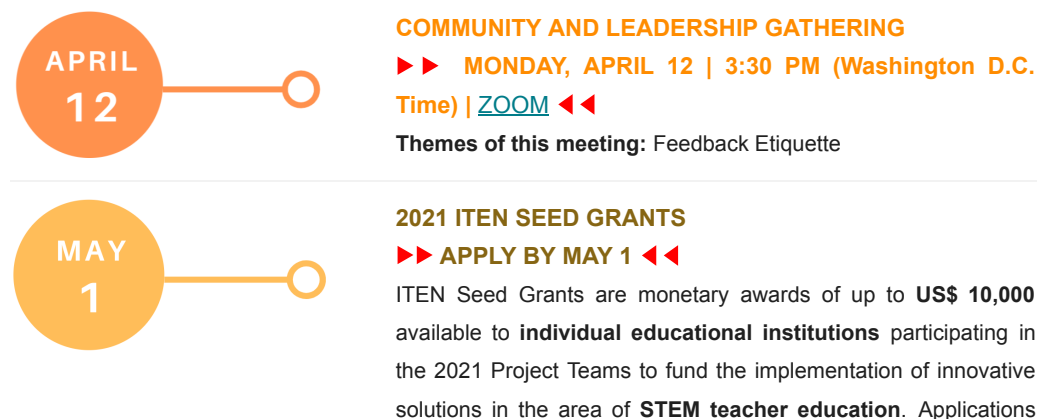
If you have been with ITEN for a few years, you will notice that deadlines are tighter this year. ITEN's funding period is coming to an end in February 2022, and all funded activities must be complete by the end of this year.

In alignment with any new directions the OAS might take with its education strategy moving forward, we will try our best to equip participants with opportunities and information beyond ITEN to continue carrying out the work you initiated here with us!

**Fortunately, we still have a full year before the project closes. We invite you to make the most out of it! Join us at the next Community & Leadership Gathering next week, and apply for Seed Grants and Teacher Leadership Funds (details below).**

The ITEN Team

## 2021 ITEN Activities Timeline: What's next?



**Follow the steps below to learn more and apply:**

- 1 Watch video presentations below:
  - Video #1: [Application Process & Award Guidelines](#)
  - Video #2: [Disbursement Process](#)
- 2 Read [Call for Proposal](#) and review all forms
- 3 Contact Patricia at pmoraes@oas.org to discuss proposal
- 4 Complete all forms and submit application

**2021 TEACHER LEADERSHIP FUNDS****▶▶ APPLY BY MAY 1 ◀◀**

ITEN Teacher Leadership Funds are monetary awards of up to **US\$ 1,000** available to **individual educators** (preK-university) to support the execution of personal leadership projects that improve **STEM teacher education**. Applications will be reviewed and awards made on a **rolling** and **competitive basis** from **March 1st** through **May 1st** while funds last.

**Follow the steps below to learn more and apply:**

- 1 Watch video presentation [Teacher Leadership Funds 2021](#)
- 2 Read [Call for Proposal](#) and review all forms and requirements
- 3 Contact Pilar at csuarez@oas.org to discuss your proposal
- 4 Complete all forms and submit application

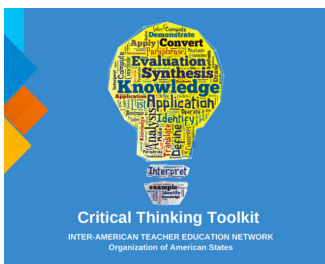
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## ITEN Community Highlights

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**Mr. IMAG PRESENTS #STEAMtheBlock: BOOK OF REVOLUTION**

Learn the mysteries of the universe through Hip Hop on this once-in-a-lifetime adventure! Produced by Lemond Brown, an ITEN Project Team member from Swaliga Foundation. ▶▶ [Watch it HERE](#) ◀◀

**CRITICAL THINKING: A FOUNDATION FOR STEM**

For over five years, ITEN has curated simple resources to teach about the principles of critical thinking with MOOCs and online toolkits. They have been consolidated into a single document, available with a Creative Commons license, for anyone to use with teachers. ▶▶ [Access it HERE](#) ◀◀

**ITEN PARTNERS PARTICIPATE IN INTER-AMERICAN DIALOGUE TABLE FOR SCIENTIFIC EDUCATION (MIDEC)**

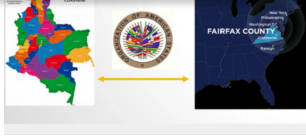
ITEN educators from Argentina, Dominican Republic, and Mexico take leadership on regional dialogue. ▶▶ [Learn more HERE](#) ◀◀

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Government officials initiate a program that matches teachers for collaborative work on the UN Sustainable Development Goals. ►► [Learn more HERE](#) ◀◀



### INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE CROSSES U.S. AND MEXICO BORDER

Early childhood teachers take part in a Spanish-language STEM community between Arizona and Sonora. ►► [Learn more HERE](#) ◀◀



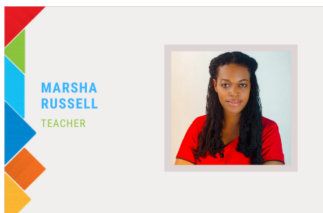
### WORKSHOPS FOR RURAL TEACHERS ON STEM EXPERIMENTS AND SIMULATIONS

IU Digital carries out a strategic plan to support Colombia's rural teachers with digital simulations and experiments for STEM. ►► [Learn more HERE](#) ◀◀



### A STEAM-H SEMINAR FOR ARGENTINA'S RURAL AGRO-FISHERY TECHNICAL SCHOOLS

Two foundations support rural STEM education through a seminar and online learning platform. ►► [Learn more HERE](#) ◀◀



### ITEN TEACHER MARSHA RUSSELL SUPPORTS STEAM INTEGRATION

A Jamaican teacher supports her colleagues through a leadership plan. ►► [Learn more HERE](#) ◀◀

## Community Resources



### Free Resources

Access hundreds of free online resources for teaching STEM.

- 🇺🇸 [STEM resources in English](#)
- 🇪🇸 [STEM resources in Spanish](#)
- 📱 [ITEN Virtual Community of Practice](#)
- ➡ [General resources](#)

### ITEN Resources

🌐 [ITEN Website](#): Visit the ITEN website to learn about our work in STEM Teacher Education in the Americas and stay up to date on upcoming opportunities to get involved.

📄 [2020 ITEN Annual Report](#): Check out our Annual Report to learn about ITEN's impact in the region during its second year of Phase 4 of the program.

📖 [Community Guide](#): The ITEN Community Guide provides step-

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