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Asha KANWAR is th President of the Commonwealth of Learning (COL), Vancouver, Canada and will succeed Sir John Daniel as the President & CEO of COL on June 1, 2012. Prior to this she was working as an Education Specialist, Higher Education and Policy Development at COL and was a Consultant at UNESCO BREDa at Dakar, Senegal (2002-3) on lien from the Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), India, where she holds a professorial position. Professor Kanwar has been a Pro-Vice-Chancellor at IGNOU (1999-2000) and also the Director, School of Humanities (1996-1998). She completed her D. Phil. at the University of Sussex (1986) and carried out postgraduate research as a Fulbright Fellow (1992) at the Iowa State University where she was invited to teach as a Visiting Professor (1996). A recipient of several prestigious awards, she has seven books and over 40 research papers and articles to her credit. Professor Kanwar received the ICDE Prize for Individual Excellence in 2009 for her contribution to Open and Distance Learning and gender.

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