



The following is an update on TANZ

What is happening with TANZ?

In 2010 the TANZ CEs held a one day workshop on the strategic direction of TANZ. This was a successful day with the outcome being unanimous agreement on the refocus of TANZ.

The following was agreed:

- 1 TANZ purpose is through collaboration, there is a commitment to:
 - A strengthen / enhance the performance of member institutions and the ITP sector;
and
 - B show leadership towards a better vocational education system in NZ.
- 2 Five key strategies:
 - 1 Collegial networking (including staff development opportunities).
 - 2 Develop and leverage off best practice for improvement opportunities in organisation and educational effectiveness.
 - 3 Secure operational efficiencies for member institutions.
 - 4 Present external revenue opportunities for members.
 - 5 Make significant contributions to key policy areas.

What does this mean?

TANZ will continue to be a 'doing, action orientated collaborative group who work with a range of organisations not just ourselves'.

TANZ continues to believe that actions speak louder than words and will continue to focus upon achievable and demonstrable outcomes

Projects will be led by the TANZ member institutions.

Going forward there is a focus upon a number of workstreams. These are listed below.

- Continuation, reinforcement and evolution of cross institutional collegial networking
- Identification and agreement on areas for improvement through collaborative approaches
- Sharing of teaching and learning materials

- Identification and delivery of major efficiencies which can be gained through collaborative approaches
- Implementation of agreed best practice services
- Sourcing and support of commercial opportunities
- Ability to influence in agreed key policy areas.

What are the implications?

TANZ has a willingness and potential to add value / benefits to the sector.

TANZ has a willingness and interest to engage with other ITPs through various approaches, as required and agreed upon.

There is no main strategy of developing web based delivery. It is noted that if through any qualification review there is a need or opportunity to collaborate on a qualification curriculum / teaching and learning resources then the Board are open to this being managed as a TANZ project.

What do future collaborative forum / networks look like?

Fora or groups will continue to be convened for specific projects (eg benchmarking, business development etc).

How will future TANZ contracts be managed?

The TANZ office will not lead contracts in its own right. TANZ member institutions will lead contracts on behalf of all TANZ institutions.

What does this mean for existing TANZ developed curriculum (product)?

TANZ developed curriculum will continue to be provided to any member institution that is interested in utilising it. Decisions around the hosting of developed web-based material, myLearn web site and TANZ network support site are being worked through.

What is the role of the TANZ Institutional 'champion'?

The decision was made by the TANZ CEs that there was a need for a TANZ 'champion' within each institute. The role of this person is to 'champion' TANZ projects within their institution.

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What does this mean for the TANZ Academic Committee?

The Committee continues in its current form and approach as previously, with membership from the TANZ Academic Directors. There is a continued focus upon collaborative programmes.

What are some of the current projects?

Academic Harmonisation

This initiative continues through the TANZ Academic Committee and will be managed by the TANZ Academic Directors.

SMS – Collaborative Due Diligence Project

This continues to progress well. CPIT is the lead institution providing Project Sponsorship, and Stuart Wakerley, the Project Management function. Each participating institution has assigned a project manager. Two key work streams for 1) contract negotiations and 2) common process workstreams.

Shared Services

Research into Shared Services is currently being undertaken.

Influencing Policy

The Board has agreed on various policy areas that it wishes to influence. Research will be undertaken and consultation with key stakeholders.

IT Alignment Workstream

IT Directors are discussing opportunities for IT Business Alignment.

Any points of clarification or questions – please contact Pamela Simpson/Caroline Darby in the TANZ office.

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