

Draft Terms of Reference for the UCET International Committee

Background

The International Committee will meet a minimum of three times in each academic year. It will also host, as required, discussion meetings relevant to its terms of reference.

Each UCET member institution is entitled to nominate one representative to attend meetings of the Committee (or, if named representatives are unavailable, alternates). The Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee will be elected, by postal ballot, by all members of the Committee and will serve for terms of 3-academic years.

Purpose of Committee

The purpose of the Committee is to:

- Advise Executive and other UCET committees, in the context of UCET's strategic plan, on the implications of developments in regards the education and training of teachers and other professional educators outside the UK.
- Consider the international implications of developments in teacher education in the UK for colleagues in other countries.
- Facilitate in the sharing of information and ideas with colleagues throughout the world.
- Identify international opportunities for UCET members.
- Provide networking opportunities for members of the committee to share information, ideas and funding opportunities.

In the light of the above, the committee will (amongst other things) consider:

- Latest developments from across the globe and their relevance to the work of UCET members.
- The implications for colleagues across the globe of developments in UK teacher education.
- The funding and content (through the EU, the UK government and other avenues) of international programmes.
- The development of links between UCET and relevant other organisations (including DfES, DFID, OECD, the British Council, AACTE, ICET etc).
- In partnership with the Research & Development Committee, the implications of international research findings for UCET members and opportunities to participate in, and engage with, international research activity.
- The UCET response to public consultations relevant to the Committee's work.
- The programme and organisation of the annual UCET conference.
- Any corporate – cross-committee – issues affecting UCET and the work of its member organisations.

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