**Executive Committee: 30 June 2020**

Invitation to join cross-sector group

*The purpose of this email is to scope the level of interest in joining a group being established by UCET to consider the purpose, content, structure and delivery of initial teacher education over the next 3-5 year period. This will, in part, be in response the implications of the Covid 19 pandemic, but goes beyond that in recognition of the need for a group to give in-depth consideration to the medium term strategic issues that will impact on the recruitment, education and ongoing professional development of teachers in the years ahead. The group will have a UK wide focus and will give relevant parts of the education sector the opportunity to lead the debate around teacher education in a way that is not constrained by the regulatory and policy environment. It will l consider how to shape teacher education in the contexts we find ourselves working in. Members of the group are being invited from representatives of teacher education providers; professional and subject associations; regulatory bodies and government; the teacher unions; representative bodies of head-teachers; education researchers and their representative and professional associations; and representatives of local authorities and multi-academy trusts.*