

The Constitution of the Educational Developers in Ireland Network (EDIN)

1. NAME

The name Educational Developers in Ireland Network – EDIN is adopted as the name of the network.

2. ADDRESS

The address of EDIN will be that of the Secretary (through website).

3. MISSION

To support, enhance and influence the field of academic development and practice, through informing policy and practice in teaching and learning in higher education, through collaborating on research and through the dissemination of resources. EDIN values creative, critical, collaboration and professional approaches to supporting teaching and learning.

4. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

4.1 Aims

The aims of EDIN are to:

- I. Support the educational developers in higher education in Ireland in their professional role in enhancing teaching and learning
- II. Provide informed advice and expertise to individuals and institutions on Higher Education policy and practice in teaching and learning
- III. Value and cultivate creative collaboration and professional approaches in order to support teaching and learning through a community of practice.

4.2 Objectives:

The objectives of EDIN are to:

- α) Provide opportunities to facilitate discussion and exchange of expertise for professional development.
- β) Support ongoing professional development with respect to international and national good practice.
- χ) Inform policy and practice in teaching and learning in Higher Education through collaborative expertise.
- $\delta)$ Promote relevant research and its dissemination in educational development within Higher Education.
- ϵ) Foster creative approaches to teaching and learning.
- φ) Continue to develop a culture of reflective and critical practice as educational developers.

5. MEMBERSHIP

Membership of EDIN shall be open to those who hold a central role in developing or providing support for teaching and learning development in Higher Education in Ireland

6. STRUCTURE

Responsibility for the network is vested in the Annual General Meeting. Responsibility for the day-to-day management of the network is conferred upon elected officers and members who collectively comprise a committee.

6.1 Committee

The committee shall consist of the following membership

- ³⁵ Chair
- ³⁵ Vice Chair
- ³⁵₁₇ Hon. Secretary
- Hon. Treasurer
- ³⁵₁₇ 3 members

Membership of the committee shall have sectoral and geographical representation. The Committee shall have power to co-opt two additional members.

The position of vice- chair and chair should have a two year term after which the vicechair shall automatically become chair. In the event of an officer's position becoming vacant before an AGM, the committee may nominate a replacement from within the existing committee

6.2 Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting shall be held at least once a year before the end of June. Officers of the committee will be elected at the AGM and will take office with immediate effect.

6.3 Meetings

Meetings of the network will take place at least three times a year, including the AGM.