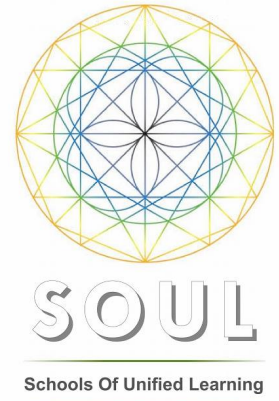


5th October 2013

For the attention of:
Supporting Partners and Associates



Assignment briefing memo 002:
Advancing Unifiedknowledge Centres
Ethiopia 2013-15

Greetings supporting partners and associates,

This document has been prepared to help share our current assignment's key objectives which are taken from Initiative One of the Project Overview 2012/3:

Prepare for **Cross-Curricula Learning Conference - East Africa 2014/15**,
2 day event, hosted with AAU.

In the Project Overview the conference was termed *Mathematicians In Creative Expression Conference*. It has been decided to change that name to the above which is more conceptually accessible.

This pioneering ground breaking conference will show case diverse teaching-learning experiences and international cross curricula best practices. This conference will also explore a special theme "**Traditional East African Dances and other national Cultural Arts: Their applications in cross curricula education and unified approaches to learning**". The other key theme we will explore is the relationship of the arts (especially **dance and drama** but all others too) to **agricultural practices** and **STEM** (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics).

We need to establish a living database of contacts/organisations in education and culture. This can be achieved by sourcing 1) up to date directories, 2) all existing relevant associations and 3) leading figures in the target fields; Education in general, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics), Dance, Drama, Arts in general, Music, Cross Curricula practice, cultural arts, agricultural practice etc. This is primarily to be done in Ethiopia, but also in the UK and more broadly across Europe and East Africa.

What has been outlined above is the beginnings of an important phase of works for this project. Done well it will yield other tasks and opportunities, i trust that our network can manage these. We request that all partners and associates keep us fully up to date with developments they make.

OBJECTIVE SUMMARY: To **prepare** for **Cross-Curricula Learning Conference - East Africa 2014/15** by **establishing** a living database of contacts/organisations in education and culture through the **process of sourcing** 1) up to date directories, 2) all existing relevant associations and 3) leading figures in the target fields. This should be significantly completed by mid November 2013. This is important as we intend to reschedule the other aspects of the broader project around this success as they interrelate.

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