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guidance**

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THURSDAY DECEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> 2015

***Lifelong Guidance: Building the Evidence Base  
focusing on-***

***Launch of ELGPN Guidelines -  
Guidance Policy developments – where to now?***

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# TESTING THE EUROPEAN RESOURCE KIT IN IRELAND DEVELOPMENTS SINCE 2013

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# Brief Recap...

- Ireland – Member of ELGPN Steering group
- Lead Country in the Quality Assurance & Evidence Base working group 2013-2014 and co-lead with Portugal 2015
- Active member of Career Management Skills
- National Forum on Guidance – focus on Co-operation and collaboration

# Testing the Resource Kit

- AEGI services
- National Forum on Guidance
- Higher Education
- Schools invited
- Informed discussions at national level
- Informed FET Strategy – guidance
- Informed NCGE Strategic Planning 2015-2017

# Outcomes

- **NCGE Strategic Plan** -*establish, support and promote quality assurance and best practice guidelines for guidance in Post primary schools and FET*
- **DES – Role of NCGE**
- Implement the agreed Strategic Plan for NCGE for 2015 2017
- Co-ordinate and host further meetings of the National Forum on Guidance.

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# Activities – Schools

- Post primary guidance working group - guidance learning outcomes and data gathering in schools
- Junior Cycle – guidance programme
- JCT / IGC and NCGE re CPD for guidance counsellors

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# Activities

- DES - Course Recognition Framework
- CPD Psychometric Testing CPD and Circular from DES
- FET Strategy – Guidance Section 10
- FET Guidance Strategy – NCGE & ETBI *draft* framework for SOLAS / DES



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# So What's next?

- Continue with National Forum on Guidance  
*2 meetings per year - formal representation?*
- Quality guidelines Working Group – *invite representation from relevant groups – IGC / AHECS/AEGAI/ NAPD/ SOLAS/ Youth Information.....etc.*

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# Group discussion

- EU Guidelines - How can we use them in Ireland?
- How could *you* use them in your Guidance provision / Service / local area
- How could *you/ your organisation* use them in your Region
- How could *We* use them Nationally?



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