

**NCGE Management of Guidance Committee (MGC) 2017-2019**  
**Record of the 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting**  
**15th May 2019**

**1. Minutes from the last meeting (11th March 2019) and Matters Arising**

There were no amendments to the Minutes which were proposed by JM and seconded by KF.

**Matters Arising**

Updates:-

- WSG Framework CPD - three events were rolled out in April/May with almost 100 schools attending. NCGE plan to schedule four more events in Sept/Oct. Follow-up support sessions will also be facilitated by NCGE to take place in Spring 2020.
- NCGE Director attending the 2<sup>nd</sup> Europass Learning Opps Meeting in Brussels on the 14<sup>th</sup> May.

**Governance/Risk Assessment**

- In the current environment - pending DES decisions arising from the recommendations from the Indecon Report, the requirement for a new MGC to be constituted in December 2019 and the imminent retirement of the Director of Léargas, the current legal status of NCGE, delays in hiring of staff - the MGC identified a risk due to the loss of experience/knowledge from the current committee and the responsibility on an entirely new MGC to function efficiently in the context of these significant changes.
- The MGC is fully supportive of NCGE working with the DES Task Force to negate the possibility of risk to the intrinsic purpose of NCGE.

**2. MGC Members Updates**

- It was noted that this is a crucial time for FETs in developing strategy for 2020-2024
- Important discussions on FET guidance to take place post DES decisions arising from the Indecon report

**3. Indecon Report**

The MGC discussed Chapter 7 - 'Recommendations' of the Indecon Review of Career Guidance Report.

The MGC welcomed the Indecon Report as a considerable and comprehensive overview, in general, of the 'Guidance World'. However, the Committee agreed that the effective impact of the Report's findings is contingent on responses to the first five recommendations of the Report. As NCGE is not part of DES, it has not been invited to sit on the Task Force. In a further discussion on the Task Force the MGC considers it imperative that all guidance agencies are represented. The MGC acknowledged the crucial link NCGE has with all guidance counselling providers and advocates for NCGE's formal involvement with the Task Force as an active and engaged agency of the DES.

**4. Proposed Strategic Plan**

A copy of the Briefing Document for NCGE Strategic Planning March 2019 was given to each member. Due to the current uncertainty in the Guidance field, the MGC decided that an interim Strategic Plan up to December 2020 is more feasible and realistic than a long-term plan.