



BLOG SUBMISSION POLICY

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As part of their Erasmus+ bid to support the professional development of teacher educators, InFo-TED are hosting a blog platform on their website. The blog is open to anyone to make a submission from the fields of Education, Teacher Education, Educational Policy, Educational Leadership and Professional Learning. The aim is to stimulate debate about and among teacher educators.

A blog might present descriptions of teacher educators' practices, but but wider discussion and debate about the professional learning of teacher educators is also welcomed. All submissions should be based on evidence rather than assertions and should discuss substantive issues rather than personal criticism.

The editorial team welcome contributions of 500-750 words (including a maximum of 5 references), which might be:

- 1. short reports, summaries of research or literature reviews
- 2. opinion pieces
- 3. responses to (teacher education) policies
- 4. experiences as a teacher educator
- 5. accounts of reflective learning as a teacher educator

- 6. experiences using research
- 7. descriptions of good practices as a teacher educator
- 8. critical evaluations of teacher educator pedagogic approaches

The blogs are organised in a thematic way according to the following 13 categories:

- 1. ICT and technological change
- 2. Social change
- 3. Diversity
- 4. Communication and relations
- 5. Boundaries
- 6. Identities
- 7. Visions
- 8. How I teach is the message
- 9. Personal, local, national and global level
- 10. Stages of professional development
- 11. University-based and school-based teacher educators
- 12. Research
- 13. Assessment

Further descriptions of the categories can be found on the InFo-TED project website here: <u>http://info-ted.eu/knowledge-base/</u>

We ask authors to identify possible blog submissions against these categories and recognise that work might fit across them.

Prospective contributors should make sure that their contributions:

- are research informed
- do not have jargon, dense language and excessive references
- provide links to sources where possible
- use inclusive and non-derogatory language
- do not include obscene or rude content, or content that belittles or attacks persons or groups

- do not link to profane, obscene, rude, or illegal material or to sites that knowingly violate intellectual property rights.

All work is required to be the authors' own, with due citation in place for the work and ideas of others. This InFo-TED blog is primarily a text-based blog, yet if you do wish to include an image, please contact a member of the editorial team.

HOW TO CONTRIBUTE:

Those submitting should send posts as a single Word document to the Editor at w.kidd@uel.ac.uk using the phrase *InFo-TED blog* in the subject line of the email. This single Word document would need to:

1. Identify the title of the piece and any sub-titles;

2. Contain the full name and title of the author as the author would wish it to appear on the blog;

3. Provide a short biography of the author of the piece (maximum of 150 words) including links

to relevant websites, professional profiles and Social Media where appropriate;

4. Clearly signal that it is a potential blog post and refer to one of the 15 categories as identified above.

The InFo-TED blog also welcomes pieces written by joint authors, following the same guidelines as above. The editorial board aims at publishing blog entries as quickly as possible. The board will also ensure that each blog entry attracts as much visibility as possible before a new entry is uploaded. We therefore thank authors for their patience for the time is might take from submitting the contribution to its eventual publication. If your contribution is time-sensitive and based around a particular news story or event, then please make this clear when making your submission.

COMMENTS AND RESPONSES:

After publication, people will have the opportunity to share the blog via Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn. This may extend to the use of other Social Media as they develop overtime. To complain about a post, please contact the council of InFo-TED.

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If you would like to discuss making a contribution in more detail then contact the Blog Editor, Dr Warren Kidd, University of East London, UK on w.kidd@uel.ac.uk