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| Higher Education and Skills Group**Participation Branch Memo****Department of Education and Training** |

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| Learn Local organisations *– ALL*  | ACFE Board | ACFE Regional Councils |
| Adult Education Institutions |  |
| Participation Branch staff |

**FROM:** Director, Participation Branch

**DATE:** 21 October 2015

**SUBJECT: Update on the development of the Learn Local A-frame Exchange**

**ACTIONS:**

* ***To note the development of the Learn Local A-frame Exchange.***

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The A-frame Exchange project will realise the ACFE Board’s commitment to Learn Local organisations to facilitate access to quality A-frames accessible to Learn Local organisations through an online portal.

The aim of the project is to develop a Learn Local sector owned A-frame Exchange that will encourage sector wide sharing of ideas and practices. Based on feedback from Learn Local organisations the A-frame resource will:

* increase quality of A-frames being used for the delivery of pre-accredited programs
* increase knowledge sharing within the sector
* increase support for organisations professional development sharing
* improve development of A-frames tailored to the learner’s need.

After an Expression of Interest process Inner Melbourne VET Cluster has been contracted to project manage this initiative. A Steering Committee with sector representatives is now supporting its development.

The Inner Melbourne VET Cluster is seeking support from Learn Local organisations and Communities of Practice to link sector knowledge and resources developed through Capacity and Innovation Funding projects to ensure the A-frame Exchange will be an invaluable sector wide resource.

It is important that input is received from as many Learn Local organisations as possible. Please do not hesitate in contacting Sofie Ham at the Inner Melbourne VET Cluster, email s.ham@imvc.com.au if you would like to contribute ideas to its development.

It is proposed that the A-frame Exchange will be showcased by the Inner Melbourne VET Cluster at Learn Local forums early in 2016.