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Teaching and Learning enhancement Insights on multidimensional, multi- level enhancement processes

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Putting Teaching and Learning at the Centre of Sectoral Enhancement and Innovation



National Strategy for Higher Education to 2030

- The centrality of Teaching and Learning to the mission of Irish higher education
- Tangible parity of esteem between teaching and research as core higher education functions
- Greater innovation in the design of higher education
- Greater flexibility in provision
- Integration of teaching and research
- Continuing professional development through collegiate networks

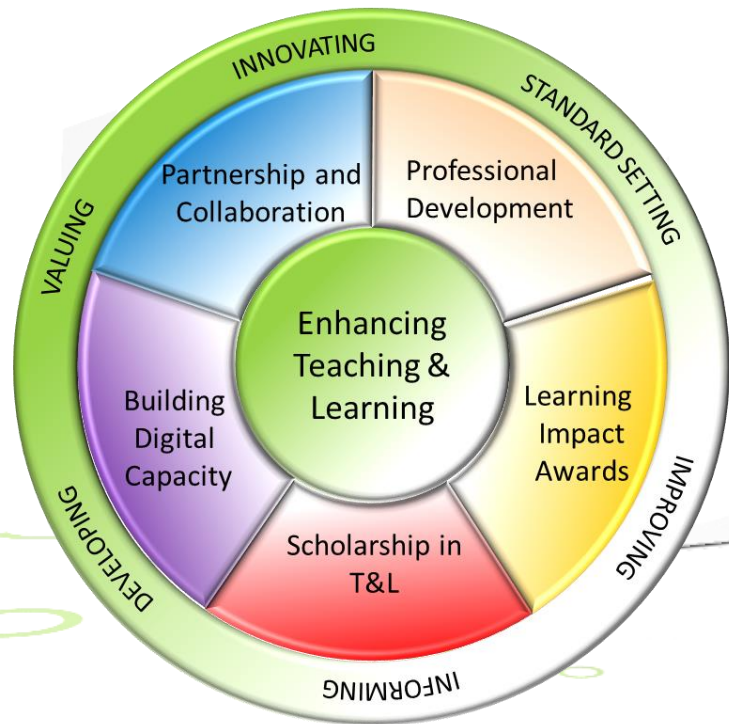


Challenges

- Multiple goals – more difficult to define goals clearly
- Goals that are extraordinarily difficult to measure – paradox of accountability versus reductionism
- Multiple constituencies with conflicting objectives and the power of veto
- HEI's getting more complex
 - Growing by addition not substitution
- Balance competing constituencies

Principles of Ireland's National Forum

- National Forum supports and facilitates enhancement, promotes and champions excellence in teaching and learning across the sector
- Higher education in all its forms in Ireland is the focus
- Is working to provide a strong evidence base that will benefit all of us - local, regional , international
- Governance arrangements designed to ensure observation of principles of objectivity and fairness and the maximisation of national impact – particularly when funding allocation decisions are being made



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