

Evaluation ALTA Learning and Teaching Forum, April 4–5, 2013, VU

Evaluation based on the intended goals, outcomes and value of the workshop.

In the table below, the following abbreviations are used: SD = Strongly Disagree; D = Disagree; N = Neutral; A = Agree; SA = Strongly Agree – please pick one

	SD	D	N	A	SA
1. The forum gave me the opportunity to establish connections with people in a similar position to my own				12	10
2. The choice of topics for the Forum was relevant and current				6	16
3. The guest presentations were pertinent and informative			1	5	15
4. I am better informed on general issues affecting ICT learning and teaching at a sector level				11	11
5. I have gained useful knowledge of learning and teaching activities at other institutions				9	11
6. Forums like this are important for the ICT discipline				4	17
7. As a result of this Forum, I will consider improvements to the teaching practices at my institution				7	13
8. As a result of this Forum, I will follow up on developing collaboration for teaching innovation purposes			4	7	10

*not all Table rows were marked hence don't all sum to the same number

Sessions that were good, were so because:

They used 'I' less and used reality more
 Outsider points of view e.g., ACER, Grattan and Engineers
 Engaging speakers and highly relevant and informative content
 The speakers were interesting
 The sessions are very informative and focused on specific ideas
 Good presenters/material
 There were lots of active lively discussions
 The two sessions late Thursday afternoon were excellent because we had meaty robust conversations.
 Kept to time (generally); highlighted significant issues; encouraged discussions; excellent chairing and organization
 Good sharing opportunity
 Industry link with universities. Great ideas! Shared!!!
 Conversation and collaboration between panelists and others
 Presentations were engaging and of great interest
 Good topics and presenters
 Questions after presentations generate useful discussion
 The HE landscape is of most interest to me in my current (strategic) role, although I count theme 2 as part of that. But improving L&T is also critical. It's been an interesting programme and in particular, very interesting follow up discussions – congratulations on a very useful meeting!
 Of the energy of the speakers
 Richard B and Euan were great
 Provided evidence of practice and the outcomes
 Varied, relevant, interesting speakers

Sessions were not so good, were so because:

The speakers read from their notes
 All the sessions were good
 Time management

Productivity presentation → read!
 All good
 Running overtime
 Too many projects on day 2 and not enough time on each
 Lacked relevance
 Sometimes difficult to hear speakers

The next forum would be better if:

More of above
 The venue and accommodation were closer; the speaking times were reasonable and adhered to: 5 min is possibly too short for most talks – but allowing it to go 10 min plus 10 min for questions is not good for the overall schedule
 How can we get more people involved?
 How can ALTA begin to fund implementation of project outcomes in other/various universities?
 More time to share experiences with AQF compliance work. What did and did not work.
 Presenters had slightly longer
 They ran over time or didn't tell us anything we didn't already know
 Lunch was longer; more discussion following each theme.
 More interactive sessions/discussion based sessions

Any other comments:

Excellent forum this year – best of 3 I have attended
 Best L&T Academy meeting yet with best focus on emerging issues
 Well done!
 Do we need another kind of ALTA grant? – Implementation grant?
 Thank you for the opportunity.
 Venue bit inconvenient: no accommodation very close.
 I thought it was great
 CBD would be better
 Very valuable
 Focus session on AQF coordination and communication and self management and how to do these! What works and what doesn't work.
 Thank you ALTA for a superb and valuable experience
 Well done to the organisers
 Speakers such as Euan and Richard B were outstanding
 This has been a really good two days; thank you.

Score out of 10 for catering (10 = best)	7	6	8	10	6	8	9	8	9	8	7
Score out of 10 for venue (10 = best)	7	7	8	10	5	6	9	8	8	6	8

Score out of 10 for catering (10 = best)	8	8	10	10	6	7	9	7	9
Score out of 10 for venue (10 = best)	8	8	8	10	9	7	8	8	7.5