

ILESE Bulletin

Updating you on progress towards a full study

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Thank-You



Image: Melbourne Roundtable, StudioFive

Once again, a big thank you from the Management Team for all the contributions in person and from abroad during the recent Roundtable events. We are all very thankful to be associated with so many great people and are grateful for the chance to reconnect or extend those connections further.

A special thanks to Bodil in Copenhagen for hosting the Europe event and organising the school visits for those attending on the Wednesday also.



Image: Copenhagen Roundtables, Royal Danish Academy

Roundtables Update

Thanks to everyone who participated in the roundtable discussions. Both events were valuable in:

1. verifying the white paper (with minor adjustments),
2. confirming support for the overarching full project structure (the umbrella/foundation with in-depth projects to start after the first year), and
3. agreeing that we should push ahead with development for the full project.

There was more optimism about funding from the Melbourne roundtable, but both roundtables agreed that the full project needed to be pursued in terms of developing a prospectus. We remain committed to sending out the prospectus before Christmas to maintain momentum, as we know team members are already having discussions about involvement in the full project.

Next Steps

We are currently collating roundtable material to inform the final white paper and develop the prospectus. Our next steps are to:

- Develop and circulate the prospectus, seeking EOIs from potential consortiums (made up of one or more organisations) to partner – this document will have more detail on design and budgeting, with a focus on the umbrella/foundation projects.
- Collect in-principle letters of support from partners in early 2023 – these letters will state that the organisation/s involved will fund if the project gets enough consortia formed.
- Invoice a small amount (approx. \$10K, dependent on number of consortia) to cover 2023 activities – which include contracts, refinement of design, development and piloting of tools, ethics approvals etc. These are all required in order to start the full project in early 2024.
- January 2024 (earlier if feasible) – begin the full project, and first invoice sent out (\$100K for each of the three years of the umbrella/foundation project).

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