

1. What is the purpose of the QAF Working Group meeting held in Montreal?

The meeting will be held in Montreal on December 15, 2010 and this will be an opportunity for the successful Proponent to meet the Working Group and present its first progress report. The successful Proponent is expected to organize the agenda in such a way that it will receive feedback on the progress report and extract the information it needs to complete the work. With the help of the Project Manager, the successful Proponent is free to allocate its time during the meeting in any way that it deems necessary (presentation, discussion, focus group, etc.)

2. When will the National Workshop of Credential Assessors 2011 take place?

No date has been set as of yet. It will most likely be at the end of the summer of 2011.

3. Does the QAF Working Group include members of all the various stakeholder sectors?

The members of the Quality Assurance Working Group are comprised of assessment agencies, universities, colleges, regulatory bodies, apprenticeship training providers, and sector councils.

4. What is the role of the QAF Working Group?

The Quality Assurance Framework Working Group will play an active role in the development of the Framework. The Proponent should be prepared to work closely with the Working Group. As the work progresses, the working group will act as a review body, offering recommendations and directions. Throughout the process, the Proponent is also strongly encouraged to reach out and consult with the larger academic credential assessment community. After all, part of the Proponent's work is to engage as many stakeholders as possible to obtain final support for the framework.

5. In Item 4.2a, it notes that "communications protocols" must be identified. What is meant by this?

Throughout the process, the successful Proponent is expected to find communication strategies to engage the stakeholders along the way such that the framework will become an essential tool referenced by the majority of the academic assessment community.