

## TANKETTE Collaboration in Teaching and Learning

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### WHY PARTICIPATE?

The CTL Tankette (a small think tank), and the associated supporting materials, will provide DEEWR with information to feed into their policy making process. It's an opportunity for you to contribute your views about collaboration in teaching and learning, provide examples of good practice, issues, and challenges, and contribute to innovative thinking about the future.

### ABOUT THE COLLABORATION IN TEACHING AND LEARNING (CTL) TANKETTE

The CTL Tankette is one part of SICTAS's national symposium. You can find out more about SICTAS and the associated activities at the education.au website (www.educationau.edu.au).

The CTL Tankette is an online 'think tank' event. It has two components: firstly, an open online group for broad discussion around the issues and ideas and; secondly, a 1.5 hour online 'tankette talk' with around 10 by-invitation guests contributing to the discussion from differing perspectives. The recording of the 'tankette talk' will be made publicly available to the broader group to stimulate further discussion.

The role of the CTL Tankette is to:

- **NOW:** investigate the use of collaborative tools and methodologies in teaching and learning in all sectors of education as it happens now.
- **FUTURE:** investigate emergent collaborative methodologies and technologies in teaching and learning, focusing on general or specific shifts, issues and innovations that may impact on the use and provision of collaborative methodologies, and looking to what is on the horizon and beyond.
- **ISSUES AND CHALLENGES:** investigate the policy issues and challenges for education and training in using collaborative methodologies and technologies, focusing on the following areas:
  - Features and tools that contribute to the success of collaborative methodologies
  - Identity management
  - Privacy
  - Safety
  - Content control and monitoring
  - Intellectual property
  - Behaviour
  - Moderation/Facilitation skills
  - Teacher training and professional development

## **WHAT IS THE COLLABORATION IN TEACHING AND LEARNING TANKETTE?**

The CTL Tankette:

- 3 October 2008 (Friday): Open conversations in an edna group at <http://www.groups.edna.edu.au/course/view.php?id=2010> from 3 October 2008 to 14 November 2008. Participants will need to register with edna groups.
- 31 October 2008 (Friday): An online 'tankette talk' using Wimba Live Classroom at 11.00am Australian Eastern Standard Time for 10 by-invitation participants.

## **CONTRIBUTIONS**

Everyone with an interest in collaboration in teaching and learning is invited to participate in the open conversations in the edna CTL group, and to contribute relevant materials – these may be podcasts, videos, photos, documents, posts, or URLs.

Participants in the CTL Tankette and contributors to the broader edna group discussion can contribute their own issues and challenges for inclusion.

- CTL Group: <http://www.groups.edna.edu.au/course/view.php?id=2010> (the conversation starts 3 October 2008 and goes till 14 November 2008)
- SICTAS blog: <http://educationau.edu.au/jahia/Jahia/pid/711>
- CTL tags: sictascollab

## **FACILITATION AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT**

The CTL Tankette will be facilitated by Frankie Forsyth. Technical issues or questions should be referred to Frankie in the first instance.

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