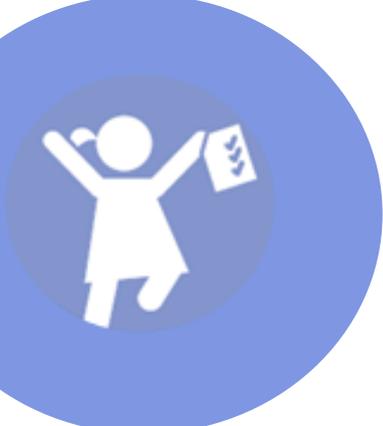




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ECD

Meeting Highlights

[KwaZulu-Natal ECD CoP meeting highlights](#)

BRIDGE launched the KZN ECD Community of Practice on 24 April 2017 to improve collaboration and coordination between ECD stakeholders in the province. These Meeting Highlights capture the discussions from the meeting.

Presentations

[Overview of ECD CoP presentation](#)

Kaley Le Mottee of BRIDGE provided an overview of BRIDGE and the ECD Community of Practice at the launch of the provincial ECD CoP meeting in Kwa-Zulu Natal. The presentation outlines the values, aims and guiding principles of the ECD CoP; overview of the CoPs activities and the CoP provincial model.

Resources

[ECD quality reflection tool brochure](#)

This brochure sets out the findings from the ECD Quality Reflection Toolkit pilot project conducted by BRIDGE's ECD Community of Practice during 2016. The pilot project checked

ECD practitioners' depth of understanding with and attitudes towards some quality concepts, and looked at areas where practitioners say they need support.

[Impact story: using the ECD quality reflection tool](#)

This story shares the insights of an ECD practitioner who benefited from using the BRIDGE ECD CoP Quality Reflection Tool as a means for improved practice. In this story the practitioner describes the changes she's experienced as a result of using the Tool, how the Tool has made her think about quality differently and how the Tool can be useful to others.

[Quality in ECD in different contexts](#)

The ECD Quality Reflection pilot project conducted by BRIDGE and the ECD Community of Practice reveals some interesting findings and reflections by ECD Practitioners working in different environments. This knowledge product unpacks how practitioners working in three diverse ECD sites have found creative ways of overcoming contextual constraints to provide quality ECD services to the children in their care.

[Working practice profile: effective leadership in an ECD site](#)

This working practice profile highlights key learnings for school leadership gleaned from a principal working at an ECD site. These learnings emerged from the ECD Quality Reflection Tool pilot project conducted by BRIDGE and the ECD Community of Practice in 2016.



Teacher Development

Meeting Highlights

[Meeting highlights pre-service teacher development cop 20170315](#)

Meeting highlights from the Pre-service Teacher Development CoP where the focus was on preparing interns for the various school contexts that they will have to adapt to. It also includes Ronel Paulsen's presentation on the Lesson Study.

Presentations

[OER4SCHOOLS – Björn Hassler, Sara Hennessy, Sonia Ili](#)

What elements need to go into the design of OER to enable them to have the potential for teacher professional development?

[OERS as a teacher-development tool – Dr Ephraim Mhlanga from SAIDE](#)

Dr Ephraim Mhlanga from SAIDE presents on the what it is around OERs that make a collection sustainable in terms of use, and enhancement of learning design?

[Selecting OERS of quality – Professor Carmel McNaught](#)

Professor Carmel McNaught of the University of Johannesburg attempts to answer the following questions: How can teachers find OERs of quality?

What are the possibilities for teacher input in the evaluation of OERs so that a Community of Practice can form?

[Lesson study approach for pre-service educators](#)

Ronel Paulsen from UNISA presented on the programme called Lesson Study. This is a popular professional development process that Japanese teachers engage in to systematically examine their practices. The goal of lesson study is to improve the learning experiences that teachers provided to their learners.