Date *18.05.26*

1. General Information

Acronym of the national network:	*UALL*
Full Name of the National Network:	*Universities Association for Lifelong Learning*
Country:	*UK*
Year of Establishment:	*1924 (with changes of name along the timeline)*
Official Website:	*https://uall.ac.uk/*

2. Contact details

Representative of the National Network

Title (Prof./Dr./Mr./Ms.):	*Dr*
First Name:	*Mary*
Last Name:	*Mahoney*
Position:	*Trustee and Secretary*
Email Address:	*mary@mahoneyconsulting.co.uk or admin@uall.ac.uk*
Telephone:	*+447724004893*
Postal Address:	*UALL Administration, Kellogg College,60-62 Banbury Road, Oxford, OX2 6PN, United Kingdom*
End date of the mandate	*November 2027*

3. Background

Please provide a brief description of your network (maximum 200–300 words), including:

- Date of establishment
- Founding purpose
- Membership structure (e.g., number and type of member institutions)
- Key milestones or achievements
- Governance structure (if relevant)

UALL can trace its origins to 1923 as the Universities Extra-Mural Consultative Committee arising an interest in the Board of Education's interest in regulations relating to adult education. UALL has had a dange of different titles across the decades as well as structures.
Founding purpose is the protection of adult education offered through UK universities.
Members are universities with a core mission to focus on the education of adults either with or without dedicated departments and individual members. Total membership is circa 46 institutions or departments within institutions (e.g. University of Oxford College are separate members as well as 2 affiliated institutions and individual members circa 6.
Key milestones and achievements are financial sustainability and delivery of quality service to members.
Governance Structure: UALL is controlled by the Charities Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and is run by a Board of Trustees (12).

4. Focus

Please describe the main objectives and areas of activity of your National Network. Your response may include:

- Core mission and strategic goals
- Main areas of work (e.g., accreditation, policy advocacy, coordination, training, research, etc.)
- National and/or international collaborations
- Services provided to members
- Current priorities

Legal Requirements of UALL including its core mission and strategic goals:
The promotion and advancement of lifelong learning within higher education, in furtherance of it's commitments as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) controlled by the Charities Commsiions. It has the following functions:
(a) To provide a forum for the development, interchange and dissemination of good practice on lifelong learning in higher education; and
(b) To encourage high standards in all areas of lifelong learning; and
(c) To facilitate communication, liaison and collaboration with other bodies and organisations in the field; and
(d) To promote and conduct research and scholarship into lifelong learning and to disseminate the results of this work; and
(e) To obtain, collect and receive monies, funds and other property and to administer them in pursuance of the objects of the CIO.

UALL acts as the national representative body for Lifelong Learning and Continuing Education in the service of the education of adults in UK. Its main areas fo work include advocacy, influencing policy and practice and representation. It's three strands of work are policy, practice and research.
It has formal international partnerships with key organisations including UPCEA, AAACE, CAUCE and EICEN.
It works on key strategic priorities identified by its Board of Trustees and agreed by its membership. Each member is represented by 2 people from each higher education institution. It organises an annual conference and seminars as part of its quarterly meetings.Curent priorities are microcredential development in UK universities including helping to shape policy and practice, funding for LLL and CE, role of LLL/CE in place. In 2025 UALL led on work to position LLL/CE as part of university strategic plans.

Av. Franklin Roosevelt 50 – CP 160/26. 1050 Brussels (BE)
T. +32 28 44 33 55

carrer Girona, 34i. 08010 Barcelona (ES)
T. +34 930 450 906

www.eucen.eu | office@eucen.eu

5. Key Activities (Optional)

Please list up to 5 major ongoing or recent initiatives, projects, or programmes.

Annual conference and seminar sessions

Working with Hong Kong Metropolitan University to facilitate a conference with its partner organisations in the Far East.

Network activities focused on specific aspects of LLL/CE i.e. work and learning; recognitiona nd accreditation systems for prior learning and prior experiential learning.

6. Additional Information (Optional)

Any other relevant information you wish to share (publications, annual events, statistics, strategic plans, etc.).

Nothing new at the moment except supporting departments in the context of university's adverse financial position in the UK.

7. National Network's social media pages (Optional)

https://uall.ac.uk/contacts/

LinkedIn and Facebook

Av. Franklin Roosevelt 50 – CP 160/26. 1050 Brussels (BE)
T. +32 28 44 33 55

carrer Girona, 34i. 08010 Barcelona (ES)
T. +34 930 450 906

www.eucen.eu | office@eucen.eu