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To whom it may concern:

We welcome the publication of draft FDL for consultation. Herein we provide a brief headline commentary, and note that IUA will also provide (university)sector feedback independently.

• The vast majority of specific guideline elements presented, when taken individually, are quite logical. However, when taken cumulatively, and in particular alongside the additional, comprehensive suite of proposed core guidelines, implementation monitoring & review of these guidelines will be extremely resource intensive. There exist a potential danger that granular implementation of the collective suite of guidelines will place an unreasonable burden on institutions, to the extent that quality-related administrative tasks required from front line support and in particular academic staff could actually impinge negatively upon actual educational delivery. Strict conformance to all aspects of the proposed guidelines would require some considerable time to achieve in virtually all institutions.

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