

Public consultation online

Consultation on English Language Teaching (ELT) Council Regulation

Feedback from : Sprachcaffe

Sprachcaffe would like to submit the below as part of the public consultation regarding the new legislation:

- 1) We do not feel it should be necessary for the person responsible for Non-Academic Services to have a degree nor at least two years' experience in a senior or professional managerial position prior to taking up this position. These requirements are far too demanding for this position.
 - 2) It is impossible to expect a Director of Studies to be on the premises at all times that lessons are being offered as that would involve 10-12-hour days in high season. This should be widened to include a delegate for the DoS with qualifications not less than those specified in sub-articles 1.5 and 2.3 of Part A (Annex Manager Qualifications). Since this is considered adequate for overseeing an annex, it should also be adequate for assuming partial responsibility for the main school at certain times.
 - 3) While we have nothing against the introduction of the SEPTT as it would level the requirements for those wishing to teach, we feel this needs to be thought through more carefully to ensure it would not discourage people from getting into the industry. Tests would need to be held at least once a month and the cost would need to be kept low.
 - 4) Regarding the amount of CPD needed to renew an EFL Teaching Permit, we would like to make three points: 1) The amount and its calculation should be either 1 hour for every six weeks or 60 hours of teaching with a cap of 8 hours per year, 2) An average amount of hours per year spread over the 4 years is preferable to an amount per year as someone may get out of the industry for some time, miss a year or two of CPD but then come back and make up the hours later. This would mean a total of 32 hours every four years. We realise that the 'C' in CPD stands for 'continuous' but allowances need to be made, and 3) We would like to know how the Council is going to keep track of teachers' teaching hours.
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