

ANNEX A: SOME KEY INFORMATION SOURCES

The main information sources likely to be of interest to governors or other readers come from commissioned reports or papers, many of which have been cited in the footnotes to this Guide.

The UK Higher Education International Unit was set up to provide advice to UK HEIs on all aspects of their international activities, and is the largest source of intelligence and research on the topic. Its main product is a fortnightly newsletter freely available on its website at www.international.ac.uk. The Unit has also produced several research reports that are helpful, including: *The practice of internationalisation: Managing international activities in universities* (2008); *The UK's competitive advantage: The market for international research students* (2008); *UK Universities and Europe: Competition and internationalisation* (2009). In Spring 2011 the Unit is publishing a report on staffing trans-national education activities with the title 'A UK Guide to staffing strategies in TNE and international operations'.

A useful overall guide to internationalisation is 'Global Horizons for UK Universities' published by the Council for Industry and Higher Education in 2007 (www.international.ac.uk/resources/GLOBAL%20horizons.pdf). It gives examples of how the various elements of internationalisation are being interpreted in HEIs.

There is more material on international partnerships. The Million+ Group produced a survey of the international partnerships of its members: 'Universities and international partnerships: making a difference' (2009) (www.millionplus.ac.uk/research/index) which explores the barriers to effective partnerships and suggests action. The legal aspects of partnerships have been explored by the UK Higher Education International Unit in 'International partnerships – a legal guide for UK universities' (2009) (www.international.ac.uk/login/login.cfm?s_lastCalled=/secure/index.cfm?), written by Eversheds.

The British Council provides numerous services to support recruitment and partnership, and its web site contains much information which may be relevant to detailed queries, for example market analysis of specific countries. See www.britishcouncil.org/new/learning

The UKCISA web site (www.ukcisa.org.uk) is also full of useful material on supporting international students.

The Quality Assurance Agency (www.qaa.ac.uk) produces reports on institutional audits overseas and reviews of collaborative provision.

Finally, two useful international sources are The American Council on Education and the Institute of International Education. The ACE published guides on aspects of internationalisation between 2007 and 2009, see www.acenet.edu/Content/NavigationMenu/ProgramsServices/cii/index.htm under the Center for International Initiatives. The IIE published a Guide in 2010 similar to this one called "International Education as an institutional priority; what every college and university trustee should know", see www.iie.org/en/Research-and-Publications/Publications-and-Reports/IIE-Bookstore/International-Education-as-an-Institutional-Priority