

Chapter 14: SPAT continuation strategy

256. Funding for continuation work on the SPAT project will allow more work to be done with partners and projects that could not be incorporated into the main project work due to funding and time constraints. The main material development work is complete and the next phase is focused on dissemination for understanding and action, and ensuring the accessibility of the SPAT materials beyond the lifetime of the project. The complete work package for this phase of the project is shown in Table 14.1.

Table 14.1: SPAT Continuation Plan

Activity / Partner	Demand / Rationale	Outcomes
01 LTSN Liaison	Extending project outcomes dissemination and accessibility Also a HEFCE FDTL 3 Transferability Funding requirement	An agreed level of support and promotion of project by a number of LTSNs
02 Working with late partners	Responding to existing and new end user requests for involvement, support and guidance that are either too new to participate in the trials or want some initial guidance before taking the SPAT materials and running with them	Short track regional workshops and guidance pack for additional users of the SPAT project outcomes and materials for 20+ participants
03 Portal development for HE students in Further Education Colleges	Use of portal developments to: Give access to target user groups Evaluate the use of this technology to deliver SPAT type materials	- Customised set of materials - Evaluation and guide to the use of Portals for the delivery of SPAT type material SPAT materials mounted on: - University of Plymouth HE/FE student portal - Northern Ireland Integrated Managed Learning Environment
04 Work with FE/HE Partnership Manager Network	To share good practice and to assess the potential use / impact of SPAT project outcomes across the network	- Workshop Materials - Case study/ies of partnership management
05 Participation in conference	Linking with the work of the STEP UP project at the University of Ulster	Access to more potential end users in Ulster in particular
06 Work with Foundation Degree consortia	Use of SPAT materials across consortia: Bournemouth/Plymouth Tourism consortia with an additional consortium added to give a comparison	- Identify additional consortia - Customise materials - Trial material - Feedback

07 Work with students transferring into a PAL context	Linking the work and resources of SPAT with PAL developments at Bournemouth University	- Customise materials - Trial material - Feedback
08 Bridging course adaptation of SPAT materials	Methodology and materials available to other institutions	- Case study & workshop of how to use / integrate the SPAT materials into a Foundation degree bridging course
09 Work with a common induction of 'top up' students	Methodology and materials available to other institutions	- Case study & workshop of how to use / integrate the SPAT materials into a common induction of 'top up' students
10 16+ HE promotion summer school use of SPAT materials	Of particular interest to those involved in widening participation	Case study & workshop on how to use / integrate the SPAT materials into a 16+ HE promotion summer school

257. The intended outcomes are given in Table 14.2. They can be grouped into three main categories: facilitation of continued availability of the SPAT materials (01, 03); dissemination of awareness about SPAT to the wider community (02, 04, 05); and using the SPAT materials in a variety of different

contexts (03, 04, 06, 07, 08, 09, 10).

258. The results and outputs from the continuation work will be posted on the SPAT website, www.spat.ac.uk.

Table 14.2: Main anticipated outcomes from SPAT continuation activity

Activity	Main Outcomes
01 LTSN Liaison	An agreed minimum level of support and promotion of SPAT by 7 LTSNs 7 x links from LTSN websites to the SPAT website www.spat.ac.uk 7 x LTSN publications/workshops promoting SPAT project outcomes 1 x Participation in an LTSN sponsored event
02 Working with new partners at three regional workshops	3 x Fast track regional workshops to guide additional users of the SPAT project 1 x Set of workshop materials for unsupported post project use
03 HE in FE web portal use of SPAT materials	1x evaluation and guide to the use of web portals for the delivery SPAT type material 2 x sets of customised SPAT materials available to 2000 students
04 Work with FE/HE Partnership Manager	1 x Workshop/s with up to 12 FE/HE Partnership Managers
05 Participation in the Student Life Cycle Network	1 x Case studies of partnership management in practice 1 x Conference paper 1 x Conference workshops
06 Work with Foundation Degree consortia	2 x case studies of use of the SPAT materials with Foundation degree consortia
07 Work with students transferring into a PAL context	1 x Case study of students transferring into stage two of a degree and engaging with PAL – Peer Assisted Learning 1 x Set of customised SPAT materials
08 Bridging course adaptation of SPAT materials	1 x Case study on how to use / integrate the SPAT materials into a FD bridging course 1x Set of customised SPAT materials
09 Work with a common induction of 'top up' students	1 x Case study of using SPAT materials in a common 'top up' student induction context 1x Set of customised SPAT materials
10 16+ HE promotion summer school use of SPAT materials	1 x Case study on how to use / integrate the SPAT materials into a 16+ HE summer school 1x Set of customised SPAT materials