

CET College's Reference Group:

The Ministerial Committee would like to hear the initial views of the Reference Group on CET Colleges with regard to:

- Adequacy of current levels of funding of PALCs and viability of reaching 1 million enrolments via community colleges by 2030
- Funding implications of initiating 50 odd new CET Colleges (more or less one in each district)
- Minimum size of CET colleges and associated community learning centres to be financially viable
- Free tuition as an option
- Funding for the training of educators for the envisaged rapid growth
- Funding as steering mechanism with regard to enrolment management and performance
- Funding of non-formal education
- Diversification of sources of funding
- Would student finding be available for CET colleges
- Funding requirements for online and distance education
- Funding of bridging programmes (Literacy, Adult Basic Education, Mathematics, Science, et cetera)
- Funding of students with special education needs
- Funding of private CET colleges
- Compensation of College Council Members
- Accountability with regard to funding
- Data and information systems to support funding norms and standards
- Ideas around a new approach to funding that might be more effective and efficient