

## **FACTSHEET ON iN.LAB**

### **Background of iN.LAB**

iN.LAB is established as the one-stop touch point to drive iN.LEARN 2020<sup>1</sup>, the national plan to promote the adoption of technology-enabled Continuing Education and Training (CET) in Singapore. An initiative of the Singapore Workforce Development Agency (WDA), iN.LAB is located in the Lifelong Learning Institute (LLI). Its close proximity to training providers, and easy access will enable it to support the CET community in learning innovation.

Set up as an integrated collaborative space and “go-to” place for learning innovation in CET in Singapore, iN.LAB will nurture innovation in all aspects of CET, from curriculum design and content development to delivery.

### **Role of iN.LAB**

To realise learning innovation, iN.LAB takes on five key roles:



<sup>1</sup> iN.LEARN 2020 (Innovative Technology-Enabled Learning Strategy 2020), is a roadmap to change learning culture and practices, make available on-line learning resources and enhance learning accessibility for individuals and enterprises. iN.LEARN 2020 supports SkillsFuture’s agenda of developing an integrated high-quality system of education and training, and fostering a culture that develops and celebrates lifelong learning. The vision of iN.LEARN 2020 is pervasive blended learning transformed through the use of innovative technology to provide individuals with access to quality and highly-engaging learning offerings.

**a) A space for innovation**

iN.LAB is designed and equipped with facilities, equipment and tools to support experimentation, collaboration and project work on learning innovation.

**b) Strengthen capability**

iN.LAB offers programmes, workshops and clinics to help the CET community strengthen their capabilities in learning innovation, from curriculum design and delivery to business management and marketing.

**c) Spur knowledge exchange**

As a learning innovation hub, iN.LAB is where CET professionals, the industry, relevant government agencies and employers come together to share best practices, knowledge and expertise as well as future trends and needs.

**d) Matchmake expertise**

iN.LAB helps to match relevant industry expertise, for instance in learning technologies, training design and blended learning, with CET professionals and training providers who may need such expertise to catalyse innovation in adult education and training.

**e) Facilitate collaboration**

Through its facilities and programmes, iN.LAB forges synergy and collaboration with and among CET stakeholders, including adult educators, training providers and technology vendors.

**Facilities of iN.LAB**

iN.LAB is equipped with facilities and equipment to support the CET community's experimentation efforts and projects in learning innovation. These facilities include:

Facility	Description
Collaborative Spaces	These are configurable project and work spaces, designed to facilitate collaboration for project teams of varying sizes, from teams of 2 to 3 to large groups of 20 or more.
Media Production Suite	The media production suite consists of a video-production studio and two audio-recording / multimedia editing rooms.
Learning Spaces	These spaces are designed for training delivery and facilitation, and include configurable rooms for seminars, workshops, talks and small group consultations.

### **Programmes at iN.LAB**

Programmes are specially curated to empower CET professionals to take learning beyond traditional face-to-face classroom delivery towards innovative learning. The programmes cater to the learning needs and interests of CET professionals at different stages of their learning innovation journey. They also include i) programmes and business clinics focusing on business skills and awareness; ii) foundational programmes to help participants learn fundamentals of learning innovation; iii) programmes which focus on levelling up the standards of the CET community in issues of training management, skill sets and competencies; and iv) programmes which equip the CET community with tools for e-learning and adoption of learning innovation.

### **Partners of iN.LAB**

iN.LAB works with leading technology and learning solutions providers in the industry to showcase their latest projects, products and services. The aim is to provide exposure as well as bring new insights to the CET community, and spur them to explore these latest development and offerings.

iN.LAB's first line-up of learning innovation showcases include EON Reality, Playware Studios, Declara and LDR, with several more industry players, who champion learning infused with technology and innovation, in the pipeline. The partnership model is a long-term collaborative engagement, in which partners showcase innovative learning solutions with potential for adoption by the CET community.

### **Further Support for CET Community**

Small and medium enterprises keen to collaborate on learning innovation projects and adopt new learning technology can also tap on SPRING's **Capability Development Grant (CDG)** to help defray up to 70 percent of qualifying project costs. The funding components may include consultancy, training, and software costs. Projects undertaken by CET partners and practitioners with iN.LAB are eligible to tap on CDG as well.

### **Moving Forward**

Through these efforts and initiatives, iN.LAB is set to become the heart of learning innovation in Singapore. As the nation progresses towards more effective lifelong learning, iN.LAB is positioned to spur innovation in CET and achieve the goal of catalysing a dynamic and synergistic CET community in Singapore.