

New Models of Transnational Education

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"The general principle of TNE is that students can study towards a foreign qualification without leaving their home country" British Council 2013.

Offshore
Cross-border
Borderless Education

Benefits of TNE

- Host country benefits
- Sending country benefits
- Student benefits
- Internationalisation of UK and Thai University
- Reputation for UK and Thai University







Win for the Thai University

- In-line with their strategy
- Business case
- The awarding institution has expertise in TNE and can deliver
- Opportunity to develop

Win for the UK university



- In line with the university's international strategy
- Business case
- Competency of the partner



Win for the Student

- Is it a good student experience?
- What part of this experience is from the awarding institution?
- Quality control



Relationship Development

- Trust
 - Competency trust
 - Contractual trust
 - Goodwill trust
- Liking
- Commitment
- Communication
 - Open, honest, clear
 - Face-to-face
 - Timely
 - Culturally sensitive

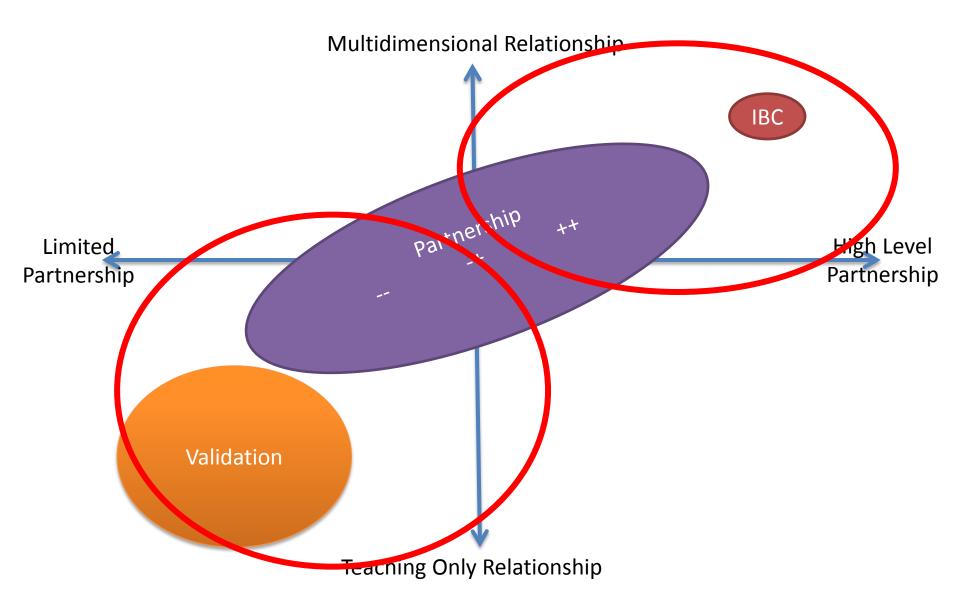
It takes time!



The fundamental principle underpinning all arrangements for delivering learning opportunities with others is that the degree-awarding body has **ultimate responsibility** for **academic standards** and the **quality of learning opportunities**, regardless of where these opportunities are delivered and who provides them.

QAA Chapter B10: Managing higher education provision with others, P.6

TNE Types: Thai-UK University Partnerships



TNE Model

Model 1: Double Degrees

Overview

- Thai university works in partnership with a UK University
- The Thai student is awarded 2 degrees
- > The student gains an international experience



Model 1: Double Degrees

Types of Double Degrees

- > 2+2: 3+1: 2+1+1+1 It goes on.
- > 2+2: 2 Years Thai University: 2 Years UK University



Model 1: Double Degrees

How to develop a Double Degree

- Connect and build trust (Relationship Development)
- Identify degree programmes of interest
- Undertake curriculum matching
- Sign agreement ACA/MoU
- Identify and formulise process for students (Market the programme)
- Keep constant communication at all levels, monitor student performance

Model 2: Duel Degrees

- Thai university works in partnership with a UK University
- The Thai Student gets 1 degrees awarded jointly by both institutions
- Students gains an international experience
- Harder to set-up that double degrees



Model 3: Global Degrees

- Thai University works with a global network of two or more universities
- Students from each institution all start at one institution and after a year progress to the next institution
- The degree is awarded jointly by all institutions
- Students gains a global international experience
- Very harder to set-up



Model 4: UK Outward Flex

- UK Universities send students to study at Thai partner universities; or their Thai TNE partner
- > This enhances the UK student experience





Model 5: Research TNE

- University research synergies
- Joint research funding (The Newton Fund)
- Research centres
- Branch campus (Government support)
- TNE Teaching developing into TNE research (CAU)



Case Studies

Implications for Thai Universities





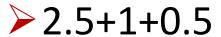
- > BA (Hons) Environment Management
- ➤ 2+1TNE+1 Double Degree
- Market analysis and business planning stage



- Lessons for Thai Universities
 - You can do more with strong relationships
 - ➤ Part TNE: Part mobility models







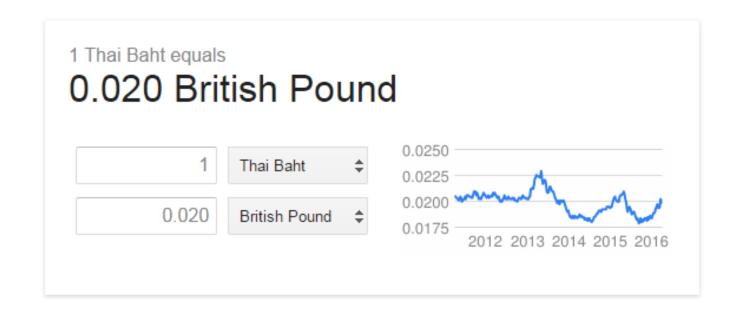
➤ New product; product champion



- Lessons for Thai Universities
 - ➤ Relationships starts 1:1 but needs to become multidimensional
 - ➤ Global environmental factors



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- Developed over 8 years
- > Flying Faculty Model 2+1.5TNE
- Expanded into new areas and new models



- Lessons for Thai Universities
 - Relationships can expand; but will always be based around Teaching; as that is the partners strategy
 - High level commitment is important







- ➤ Largest UK TNE development in SL
- Flying Faculty Local academics
- ➤ Sharp growth



- Lessons for Thai Universities
 - Partnership with the right UK university
 - Extra input and commitment needed
 - ➤ Cultural issues





- Potential development
- > ICB with strong local partner
- > High level of engagement



- Lessons for Thai Universities
 - Work closely with government departments
 - Long term vision

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TNE can transform lives, economies and even countries...... Let's drive it in the right direction

