



Action Learning News

IFAL exists to develop and harness the power and potential of Action Learning, locally, regionally and globally

IFAL is recognized as a custodian of the spirit of Action Learning

IFAL creates, develops and supports Action Learning networks and communities

IFAL promotes both tested and innovative Action Learning driven change

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Dear IFAL Member, Supporter, Friend

Welcome to the September edition of Action Learning News.

Thank you for your continued commitment and support for Action Learning and IFAL.

We have made good progress since our last newsletter in making IFAL more relevant to you.

Our new website carries on improving. Our main aim is to have a fit for purpose and accessible online platform for our global Action Learning communities. Our new website will enable everyone interested in Action Learning to join IFAL and our events and pay in any currency online. We are pleased to say that several new members have benefited from this and joined us in recent weeks.

We have established a new members area

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which we will be developing further in the coming months.

Our next big project is a conference in 2020. We will begin planning in the autumn. Please let us know if you would like to be part of our planning and delivery team so that together we can co-create another memorable learning and sharing experience. We will work around your availability.

Happy reading...

Jafar Akhavan-Moossavi and Heidi Schaefer
IFAL Co-Chair

Continuing Professional Development

We have developed two groundbreaking on-line learning and development opportunities; Action Learning Across Time Zones and Cafe IFAL which will enable you to benefit from being part of an international Action Learning set and learning environment. Please see below for more details. We look forward to welcoming you to our future meetings.

CAFE IFAL

Café IFAL is an exciting brand new virtual discussion forum where Action Learning practitioners can share their experiences of using Action Learning in real situations, whether you wish to present a piece of work you've delivered – the challenges and successes - or simply contribute to the debate.

We held another successful Cafe IFAL on 10 June. We were delighted to welcome several newcomers as well as those who had attended previous Café IFAL meetings. Together we explored the model of self-facilitated action learning sets.

Action Learning Across Time Zones

We are offering Action Learning Across Time Zones as a way of connecting with our international members and potential IFAL members. Using our Zoom platform we hope to attract international groups (mainly to be conducted in English although we have options for sessions to be conducted in French as well).

We have a few places left in our UK-based action learning set and in our Americas set. We have also had one request from a member based in New Zealand. If you are interested in joining any of these sets please do get in touch. we would love to start them all in

We did this through learning about, and examining several real-life examples of set members benefiting from this way of working and making a real impact in a health service setting.

the (northern hemisphere) autumn.

We look forward to welcoming you to the next Cafe meeting.

[Read more here](#)

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Members advertising their Action Learning Services

We will shortly be relaunching our popular **Find an Action Learning Facilitator** service. This is free for members to advertise their Action Learning offerings on the IFAL website.

More information about this will be sent out in the coming weeks.

Your Action Learning stories

We are introducing a new and hopefully permanent section in the Action Learning News to provide a space for our readers to share their stories of Action Learning, whether as practitioners, set members, action learning sponsors etc..

We look forward to hearing from you and including your stories in future editions. We welcome written, video, audio or graphic visualizations.

Our thanks go to our IFAL executive member colleague, Jane Garnham for starting the ball rolling. Please read her story [here](#). Thank you Jane.

IFAL Survey

We are committed to ensuring that IFAL remains relevant to your needs in the international Action Learning community, wherever you may be and whatever role you may have.

We will soon be sending out a short online survey asking your views about how we can best do this.

Executive News

VACANCY

We have a vacancy for IFAL treasurer from Autumn 2019. If you are interested in joining our committed and supportive executive group, please contact [Jafar](#) or [Heidi](#) in the first instance.



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