VANUATU
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Key Challenges and Opportunities

1. Lack of local expertise
2. Lack of content
3. Lack of human resource to fully take advantage of what is available through COL

Status of ODE in Vanuatu

Policies
- Vanuatu participated in the implementation meeting of the TQF in Malaysia
- Vanuatu participated at the OER meeting at Hotel Presidency in Kochi and the 6th Pan – Commonwealth Forum in Kochi, India.
- A draft Policy Document was developed five years ago but due to lack of human resource it was shelved.

Resources
- Vanuatu is part of the team of South Pacific Countries that met at the National University of Samoa to develop vocational literacy training modules for basic trades. After the meeting a planning meeting was co-hosted by COL and the Vanuatu government in Port Vila, Vanuatu in August 2010. The meeting developed piloting plan for each country. In Vanuatu the piloting is done by the Vanuatu Rural Development and Training Centers Association through its network of Rural Training Centers. In addition, Vanuatu now registers on its qualification register COL’s training courses on basic trades and these courses are started to be delivered with youth and rural people.

Top Priorities for 2012 – 2015

1. Awareness of what COL is providing to providers and working with them to be able to tap into the resources for training.

Due to the main focus of the Ministry of Education on its review of the National Curriculum and primary education, now in its second year, not enough awareness was given to all the providers that could utilise what COL is involved in.