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Dear Friends and Colleagues

Greetings. We are now nearing our summer vacations and well into the write up of the case studies. I would like to remind our wonderful teams that we expect the **first drafts** of the case studies by **August 30, 2019**. We expect to have a total of **seven case studies**: four in English representing the three FOE case studies by the twinning teams (Limerick/Ain Shams- Martin Luther/Helwan - Northampton/Alexandria) and one by AUC. Three of the case studies will be written up in Arabic by the Egyptian FOEs in partnership with their affiliated five schools. Each of the three volumes will contain the five schools in a single publication. The generic **guideline** for all case studies should be:

- Introduction
- Context (variety and diversity of contexts should be captured including, leadership styles, employment patterns, relationship with administration, prevailing culture etc...)
- Conceptual framework (core PCL features)
- Methodology
- Findings (in the case of the schools it will include all five schools with comparative analyses)
- Conclusion and post script (this part will look at challenges and opportunities and in the case of schools it will describe and examine the process of clustering).

As we write up these very rich pieces we suggest that we also write up small **vignettes** to go in highlighted boxes in the text around possible topics such as school leaders or Deans, student teachers or student leaders, team teaching, materials developed, etc..

Having all started the process of analyses and writing it has become clear to most of us that the original estimate decided upon in Alexandria earlier on of 6,000-8,000 words is highly unrealistic. Hence we are now suggesting a new estimate of **20,000 words** on average.

We managed to have a very positive and productive conversation with Brussels concerning impact and sustainability where they understood very well our comments and concerns.

Finally I would like to welcome Lujain Ramadan to her new position of researcher in the project hence she will not only be looking after the website but will take on the tasks that were earlier done by Dana.

Warm regards
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