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## Cross-sectoral initiatives

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# Cross-sectoral initiatives

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# Cross-sectoral initiatives

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- The national scene
- The London scene
- M25 Consortium of HE Libraries
- London Metropolitan Network
- London Learning Network Group

# The national scene

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- RIDING clump project
- Glasgow Digital Library
- Sunderland Learning City
- Information North
- UW Bangor and Gwynedd Council
- BL Co-operation and Partnership Scheme

# The London scene

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- M25 Consortium of HE Libraries
- London Metropolitan Network
- Association of London Chief Librarians
- LASER- development and networking agency
- Greater London Archives Network
- Southeast Museums Service
- and now... LLNG

# M25 Consortium

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- Established in 1993
- 39 members
- Access scheme
- Disaster recovery planning guidelines
- Staff development group
- The award-winning M25 web guide
- M25 Link Project

# London Metropolitan Network

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- Used to be called London MAN
- Set up in 1994 to link London HEIs to JANET
- High speed reliable network capable of more exploitation via co-operation
- Soon to be an independent company
- Could seek business outside HE

# London Learning Network Group

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- Established in April 1999
- Membership from across the information provision sectors
- First cross-sectoral group in London
- Co-operating in support of lifelong learning in London
- Seminar on 10 December



# London Learning Network Group (2)

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- Looking for ways to co-operate
- Seeking to influence lifelong learning agenda
- Trying to identify London needs
- Working on potential infrastructure models for London
- Looking for projects/funding

# London Learning Network Group (3)

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- Need to fit into national initiatives
- CALL/NOF/public library network
- National Grid for Learning
- ICT Learning Centres/Ufl
- Need for joined-up thinking
- Need for joined-up technology
- Regional dimension

# London Learning Network Group (4)

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- Exchange of information and views
- Seminar on 10 December
- 4 task forces set up
- Content creation; information skills training; network infrastructure; resource discovery and document delivery
- Public libraries are the key

# London Learning Network Group (5)

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- M25 Consortium of HE Libraries
- ALCL (Association of London Chief Librarians)
- London Metropolitan Network
- FE Libraries and IT services
- LASER - development and networking
- Greater London Archives Network
- Southeast Museums Service

# The future of the LLNG?

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- Seminar feedback to be analysed and to inform Action Plan 2000
- Surveys to be done
- Network models to be drawn up
- More dissemination of LLNG activities
- Identification of co-operative projects/funding bids

# Some useful websites

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- <http://www> plus:
- LLNG: [lmn.net.uk/lmg](http://lmg.lmn.net.uk)
- M25 guide: [M25lib.ac.uk/M25/](http://M25lib.ac.uk/M25/)
- M25 Link: [M25lib.ac.uk/prototype.html](http://M25lib.ac.uk/prototype.html)
- LASER: [viscount.org.uk/laser](http://viscount.org.uk/laser)