

COLLO
2011-12 Summary Report
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On September 19, 2011, the Coalition of Lifelong Learning Organizations of the United States held a meeting with the intended outcomes being (1) to gain greater insight into the importance of and successful practices and development necessary for collaborations and partnerships; and (2) to develop a network of colleagues on the topic of collaboration. Presenters included Alan Tuckett, President, International Council for Adult Education who discussed the International Council for Adult Education and adult education in the United Kingdom. He offered to assist COLLO members in re-establishing international exchanges between adult and continuing educator in the UK with those in the US. Also presenting was Barbara Board, Ph.D., Principal, BaBoard, LLC District Extension Director, Emerita, Virginia Tech who gave a presentation titled, *Exploring the Nature and Experience of Collaboration: Research and practice--An inextricably intertwined partnership*. Robert Templin, Ph.D., President of Northern Virginia Community College gave a presentation titled, "Community Colleges: Best practices from successful collaborations and partnerships." He highlighted necessary elements for successful collaborations and partnerships. The final presenter was Tom Boydell, Ph.D. Management, and Director, Inter~Logics.net ltd (from the UK) who gave a presentation titled, "Individual Life Stage Development Necessary for Successful Collaborations." He highlighted the life stage conditions that enable dialogue across boundaries, and facilitate the individual development that is required to enable people to create, sustain and respond to those conditions. As a result of this meeting, members of COLLO hope to forge more collaboration among themselves and among other national and international adult education groups.