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Feedback provided from:
An individual

Organisation Name (if providing on behalf of an organisation):

1. Do you think the conceptual design of the Draft Framework works? What would you change?

Feedback professional pathways.

My thoughts

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Or Masters degrees in Literature?

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2. Are there any elements that you would add, amend, or remove?

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3. Would a Framework along the lines of the draft Framework be useful to you in your career or workplace? How could you see it being used?

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4. Is LIS professional recognition valuable to you? What changes would you like to see to professional recognition?

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5. Any other comments?

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