How can eduLAB contribute towards the sustainability of your business in running IT courses?

What does sustainability mean? According to the Oxford Dictionary, it refers to “the ability to continue to be continued for a long time”. **What disrupts RTOs from staying in business?** From what we have seen in the last decade there are two reasons why RTOs fail to successfully operate.

1. When there are financial difficulties.
2. When RTOs fail to meet compliance obligations.

**So, how can eduLAB contribute to the sustainability of your business in running IT courses?** By offering a pay-as-you-grow model that saves your business up to 70% of the computer setup cost.

Furthermore, eduLAB is a cloud-based computer lab that students can access from anywhere, anytime through a browser. This means you can use any classroom as a computer lab, giving you infinite flexibility and scalability to facilitate the latest computer labs regardless of your student intake number. Choose eduLAB to offer practical IT courses that help you not only sustain but, grow your business!
2 \* How can eduLAB modernise IT course delivery in the VET sector?

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3 \* How can eduLAB improve the experience for both providers and students for IT courses?

eduLAB provides a real and hands-on learning experience for students by allowing them to demonstrate the required skills for practical IT units of competencies in real-life scenarios. Therefore, providers can offer students quality delivery and expect quality outcomes from students. eduLAB eliminates reasons for RTOs to settle for theory-based IT courses, and enhances the opportunities for students to learn and practice IT skills anytime, anywhere through a browser.

The industry skill requirements for IT experts can only be met when graduates are familiar with real applications and able to solve real problems. This requirement can only be fulfilled when providers offer quality delivery of practical IT courses, and allow students to participate in relevant practical assessments. With eduLAB, it is simple to align IT job roles and the skills with the course requirements. Adopt eduLAB to improve the experience for both providers and students by bringing quality delivery and outcomes for IT courses.

4 \* How can eduLAB ensure RTOs meet compliance obligations for IT courses?

Meeting the compliance obligations for IT courses varies depending on the unit you choose. Without using eduLAB, the more practical the units, the more challenging it becomes to facilitate the required lab environment. For example, ICTNWK529 Install and Manage Complex ICT Network, is one of the most essential units in IT courses as it is:

- the core unit for two IT courses (ICT60515 Advanced Diploma of Computer Systems Technology and ICT50418 Diploma of Information Technology Networking), and
- one of electives for two IT courses (ICT50318 Diploma of Information Technology Systems Administration and ICT50118 Diploma of Information Technology).
To meet the Assessment Requirements for this unit, Performance Evidence must be demonstrated. To comply with this, you will need integrated multiple network services, security applications, and multiple complex lab setups to monitor and test the performance of the solution.

To facilitate such a setup, you will require computers powerful enough to run several virtual machines as per the Network Diagram below. Such a lab environment comes with significant costs and time to set up. Therefore, a number of IT course providers in the VET sector settle for offering theory-based IT courses, but there is better alternative. Adopting eduLAB meets the compliance obligations in facilitating practical IT units by providing:

1. **Complex multiple network services** and security applications in a complex multiple lab setup that students can demonstrate required skills in the classroom or at home.

2. **Tools to capture and submit performance evidence.**

3. **Updates of lab environment and application as the assessment tool changes.**

*ICTNWKS29 Network Diagram*

*Site-to-site simulations between virtual sites with an industry leading security appliance on eduLAB.*
eduLAB strengthens IT skills for graduates because it provides real and relevant resources for practical IT units, as per the training package requirements. **eduLAB provides RTOs with the freedom to choose any practical unit and assist students to work on industry-based real IT problems.** Therefore, hypothetical projects are no longer needed as you can offer students real-life projects to work on to strengthen their IT skills. **Satisfied students result in business success**, so let eduLAB assist you to strengthen IT skills for your graduates and empower them to be IT job-ready.