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The Future of Further Education Forum 2012

New challenges and new chances

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Westminster Studios, London SW1P

NATIONAL CONFERENCE & BROADCAST

Headline speaker:

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Director, Further Education and Skills Investment,
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Other speakers include:

Mike Bell

Director of Strategic Intervention, **Skills Funding Agency**

Peter Mucklow

National Director for Young People, **Education Funding Agency**

Audrey Mullender

Principal, **Ruskin College**

AT THIS CONFERENCE YOU WILL...

- Hear from the Government on the future of further education and how they envisage putting students at the heart of the system
- Explore what the new National Careers Service will mean for the FE and Skills sector
- Consider the changes to the funding system and what it will mean for FE institutions
- Examine how to ensure excellence in teaching and learning
- Explore the future of apprenticeships
- Discuss whether recent changes to the FE sector will ensure a collaborative and productive future
- Discuss the impact of FE loans on the FE sector
- Hear from an organisation that is leading the way in supporting innovative practice within the FE sector
- Explore the benefits and opportunities for delivering HE in FE
- Examine best practice in procurement, collaboration and shared services
- Consider how to widen participation within the FE sector

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New challenges and new chances

More than ever, as budget restrictions take effect, it is vital that colleges, community learning services and work based learning providers develop precise and informed forward strategies.

Cuts in 19+ Learning budget, a fall in the number of students enrolling and the funding gap has resulted in increasing challenges to the education system across the board.

These challenges provide an opportunity to look to new innovative ways to improve services, attract new students, make savings through shared services, smart procurement and technology and look to global markets.

This annual forum brings together senior leaders and managers of FE and sixth form colleges, training providers and providers of adult education and work-based learning to discuss the future of the sector and address the challenges they will face.

Benefit from hearing best practice on national successes, good news stories and gain practical information to implement in your day-to-day role through interactive seminars examining key issues on:

- Generating income through commissioned provision for the unemployed
- The impact of A Level and GCSE reform on FE colleges

Who should attend:

From the FE and HE Sector:

- Principals and Chief Executives
- Chairs, Administrators and Governors
- Directors 14-19
- Directors Further and Higher Education
- Assistant Directors and Principals
- Directors Development, Learning and Skills
- Directors of Marketing and Communications
- Programme Directors
- Directors of finance
- Curriculum Directors
- Heads of employer engagement
- Senior managers in FE and sixth form colleges
- Senior FE / HE managers in higher education institutions
- Heads of adult and lifelong learning
- Sixth form headteachers and college governors
- Chief executives and directors in voluntary sector

From Local Government:

- Senior education policy-makers
- 14-19 Partnership Managers
- CEIAG Managers

Other

- Directors and Senior staff of YPLA, SFA, NAS
- Directors and Chief Executives of Sector Skills Councils
- Independent learning providers
- Adult and community learning providers
- Qualifications awarding bodies
- Work-based learning providers
- 14-19 Education Business Managers
- Civil Servants
- Professional and Trade organisations
- Education consultants
- Inspectorates
- Training providers
- Analysts and policy advisors
- FE Business Development Managers

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Agenda (subject to change)

09:00 Registration, refreshments and exhibition

Session One: Setting the scene



- 09.50 Welcome and introduction from conference Chair
Brian Lightman, General Secretary, Association of School and College Leaders
- 10.00 Keynote address: Students at the heart of the FE and skills system
Susan Pember OBE, Director, Further Education and Skills Investment, Department for Business, Innovation and Skills
- 10.15 Understanding the future of FE funding
Mike Bell, Director of Strategic Intervention, Skills Funding Agency
- 10.30 Changes to the 16-19 Funding Formula
Peter Mucklow, National Director for Young People, Education Funding Agency
- 10.45 Panel discussion: What will the reclassification of FE colleges to 'private sector' mean for FE colleges?
Session speakers
- 11:00 Refreshments, networking and exhibition

Session Two: Excellence in FE



- 11.30 First-class advice delivered by the National Careers Service
Ayub Khan, Member, Task Force on the Careers Profession and Advisory Group on the new National Careers Service
- 11.45 Achieving excellence in teaching and learning
Andrew Boden, Director of Teaching and Learning, Blackpool Sixth Form
- 12.00 The future of apprenticeships
Sarah Benioff, National Apprenticeship Director – Quality, Programme and the Apprenticeship Vacancy Service, National Apprenticeship Service
- 12.15 Innovation in FE
Check website for speaker updates
- 12.30 Panel discussion:
- Does the future of FE inevitably create 'winners and losers' or is this finally the opportunity to create an efficient service that is fundamentally more collaborative and productive?
 - What will FE loans mean for the future of FE?
- Session speakers*
- 13.00 Lunch, networking and exhibition

Session Three: Putting theory to practice: innovative solutions in challenging times



- 14.00 Achieving and delivering HE in FE
Malcolm Wharton CBE, Principal, Hartpury College
- 14.20 Best practice in procurement, collaboration and shared services
Check website for speaker updates
- 14.40 Widening participation
Audrey Mullender, Principal, Ruskin College
Rachel Hemstock, Skills for Life Tutor, Ruskin College
- 15.00 Questions and discussion
- 15.15 Refreshments, networking and exhibition

Session Four: Key issues seminars

- 15.40 Delegates should choose to attend one seminar from the list below. Seminars are designed to be interactive and participatory in nature. Places are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis and are subject to maximum capacities.
- 1** GENERATING INCOME THROUGH COMMISSIONED PROVISION FOR THE UNEMPLOYED
Dave Harding, Vice Principal, Barnsley College
- 2** ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION:
What will A level and GCSE reform mean for FE Colleges?
Check website for speaker updates
- 16.40 Close of conference

All delegates receive free post-event access to filmed plenary sessions

