



Tuesday, 30 October 2018 The Principal, Manchester

Boosting UK Skills: Quality with Quantity

Draft Agenda

08.45 - 09.45	Delegate Registration	
09.45 – 10.15	Conference Opening	
09.45 – 09.55 09.55 – 10.05	Introductions and housekeeping Chairman's welcome	Mark Dawe, AELP Martin Dunford OBE, AELP & Skills Training UK
10.05 – 10.15	The big issues for providers	Mark Dawe, AELP
10.15 – 10.35	Employer Voice of Apprenticeship Reforms	
10.15 – 10.30	How well are the levy and standards/EPA reforms working?	Claire Paul, BBC and Apprenticeship Ambassador
10.30 – 10.35	Q&A	
10.35 – 11.15	The Next Stage of the Apprenticeship Reforms	
10.35 – 11.10 11.10 – 11.15	Current challenges and managing the non-levy transition Q&A	Keith Smith, ESFA
11.15 – 11.45	Morning Break	
11.45 - 12.00	Fair Assessment of Apprentices	
11.45 – 11.55 11.55 – 12.00	Supporting employers on assessment Q&A	Speaker tbc
12.00 – 12.30	Quality Assurance for Apprenticeships	
12.00 – 12.25 12.25 – 12.30	An EPA and EQA system that works Q&A	Kirstie Donnelly MBE, City and Guilds
12.30 – 13.55	Lunch	
13.55 – 14.20	Devolution	
13.55 - 14.15 14.15 – 14.20	An MCA's plans for developing skills Q&A	Speaker tbc
14.20 - 14.40	Review of Post-18 Education and Funding	
14.20 – 14.35 14.35 – 14.40	Progress update Q&A	Philip Augar, Review Panel Chair
14.40 – 15.05	Employers on Meeting Skills Challenges	
14.40 – 14.50	A public sector perspective	Speaker tbc
14.50 – 15.00 15.00 – 15.05	SME perspective Q&A	Speaker tbc
15.05 – 15.35	Afternoon Break	
15.35 – 15.55	National Retraining Scheme	
15.35 – 15.50 15.50 – 15.55	Update on the Government's proposals Q&A	Simon Holmes, DfE
15.55 – 16.20	International Opportunities for Vocational Providers	
15.55 – 16.05	How the Government support the export of UK expertise	Jonathan Ledger, Department for International Trade
16.05 – 16.15 16.15 – 16.20	A provider seizing opportunities abroad Q&A	Provider tbc
16.20 – 16.25	Closing Plenary	
16.20 – 16.25	Summary & Final Remarks	Mark Dawe, AELP
16.25	Conference Close	