



UVAC Annual Conference 2011

**Work-Based Learning and Higher Education Policy and Practice:
The New Political and Financial Environment**

17th – 18th November 2011

Royal York Hotel, York

Day 1

From 10.00 Registration

Refreshments and networking

11.00 Welcome and introduction

Professor Joy Carter, Chair, UVAC

Main Hall

11.10 Keynote address – The Skills Commission Report on Technicians and Progression - the impact upon policy, implementation and in the context of the HE White Paper

Professor Alison Halstead, Chair of the Skills Commission Inquiry into Technician and Higher Level Skills and Pro-Vice Chancellor for Learning, Teaching & Innovation, Aston University

Main Hall

Chaired by Professor Joy Carter

11.50 - 12.00 Movement time to breakout sessions

12.00 – 13.00 Concurrent breakout session 1

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13.00 Lunch and networking

Oak Room

14.00 Keynote address – The role of awarding organisations in the development of the skills of the workforce at levels 4-8, in the context of the HE White Paper, partnerships with HE and FE and individual and employer need.

Simon Witts, Director, City & Guilds for Business

Main Hall

Chaired by Professor Margaret House

- 14.30 Panel session – Innovation in Delivery Approaches**
University of Winchester and Logica
James Collins, Graduate Practice Leader, Logica and Stella McKnight, Head of Employer Engagement, Programme Leader, Winchester Business School, University of Winchester
- University of Derby Corporate and Citibank
Tony Atherton, Head of Talent & Culture for the UK Consumer Business, Citibank and Ann Minton, Workforce Development Fellow, University of Derby Corporate
Main Hall
Chaired by Dr Stephen Boffey
- 15.30 -16.00 Refreshments, networking and movement to breakout sessions**
Oak Room
- 16.00 – 17.00 Concurrent breakout session 2**
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- 17.00 – 17.10 Movement time**
- 17.10 UVAC Annual General Meeting 2011**
Jorvik Room
- 17.25 Free time/networking**
- 17.30 – 18. 30 UVAC Journal Editorial Advisory Board Meeting**
EAB members only
Crown Room
- 19.15 Drinks reception**
Oak Room
- 20.00 Conference dinner**
Tempus Dining Room

Day 2

- 9.30 Keynote address – International Approaches to the Development and Delivery of Higher Level Skills**
Professor Paul Gibbs, Institute for Work Based Learning, Middlesex University
Main Hall
Chaired by Alan Mould

10.10 Keynote address – CETLs their Impact and Potential Legacy for the Delivery of Higher Level Skills

Dr Pauline Armsby, Director of Research, Westminster Exchange, University of Westminster

Main Hall

Chaired by Dawn Whitemore

10.50 – 11.15 Movement time and refreshments

11.15 -12.15 Concurrent breakout session 3

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12.15 -13.15 Lunch

Oak Room

13.15 – 13.55 Keynote address – Funding Higher Level Work-Based Learning

David Sweeney, Director – Research, Innovation and Skills, HEFCE

Main Hall

Chaired by Garth Rhodes

13.55 – 14.05 Movement time

14.05 – 15.05 Concurrent breakout session 4

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Colleges and the Policy Experiment in Higher Education

Professor Gareth Parry, School of Education, University of Sheffield

Main Hall

Chaired by John Widdowson

Higher Level Apprenticeship – National Developments

Clare Bonson, Head of Apprenticeships – Business Development and Support, National Apprenticeship Service

Crown Room

Chaired by Adrian Anderson

15.10 Close