

The Future of Education-Employer Partnerships: Creating closer ties between colleges, universities & businesses

10.00 Registration and Morning Refreshments

10.40 Chair's Introduction & Interactive Voting

10.45 Morning Session – Current and Future Policy:

- 'Freedom & flexibilities': the detail & impact of looser central Government control
- Business involvement in course design: qualifications to support employment
- The Vocational Education & Training programme and Higher Apprenticeships
- National Occupation Standards: possible changes and their implications
- Educational export opportunities: international demand for higher-level skills
- **Bobbie McClelland**, Deputy Director, FE, Skills & Relationship Management, BIS
- **Roxanne Stockwell**, MD, Higher Education Awards, Pearson
- **National Apprenticeships Service representative** (invited)

11.45 Open Discussion & Q&A

12.45 Interactive Voting Session

13.00 Lunch

14.00 Afternoon Session - Policy into Practice:

- Delivering Higher Apprenticeships: latest insights from a leading provider
- Case studies of business-led course design: satisfying students & employers
- Exporting education: how are institutions expanding their offering overseas?
- **Carole Carson**, Managing Director, Babington Business College
- **Kasey Carver**, Head of International Relations, University of Bolton
- **Representative**, UCL Centre for the Advancement of Learning and Teaching (CALT)

14.45 Open Discussion & Q&A

15.10 Chair's Summary

15.15 Event Close
