Ofsted and SICI International Conference

Inspecting Post-compulsory Education and Training – helping to prepare the youth of today for the world of tomorrow

22-23 January 2015

Conference aims

- Improve understanding of ways to support economic development and ensure international competitiveness
- Share international best practice on inspection practice and use of data
- Present information on recent developments in how Ofsted supports and challenges providers to improve, and the impact of this work
- Build expertise and supporting professional development
- Develop ideas for future joint projects, workshops and conferences

Day 1

9.30-10.30	Registration
10.30-10.40	Welcome and introductory remarks
10.40-11.10	Sir Michael Wilshaw – Her Majesty's Chief Inspector – how inspectorates can drive the national agendas, support the development of vocational training and employer engagement
11.10-11.40	Key messages from the Annual Report for 2014 - National Director for Further Education and Skills
11.40-12.00	Refreshments
12.00-12.45	Table discussions on themes arising from first two speeches
12.45-13.00	Plenary – feedback from each table
13.00-13.45	Lunch

In the afternoon there will be three workshops on rotation

13.45-14.45	Group A – workshop 1 Group B – workshop 2 Group C – workshop 3
14.45-15.45	Group A – workshop 3 Group B – workshop 1 Group C – workshop 2
15.45-16.00	Refreshments
16.00-17.00	Group A – workshop 2 Group B – workshop 3 Group C – workshop 1

Workshop 1 – *Effective evaluation and inspection of state and private providers* – *what works well, why it does and can it be improved?* In this workshop, after presentations on developments in England and The Netherlands, delegates will be invited to share examples of best practice from inspection in their country/region.

Workshop 2 – *The use of data to measure performance* – *what to measure, how best to measure it and use it.* In this workshop presenters will show how the use, interpretation and presentation of data have developed and future possibilities. Then delegates will be invited to contribute good practice examples from their country/region.

Workshop 3 – *How Ofsted challenges and supports organisations that provide different types of education and training to improve.*

In this workshop presenters will describe how the programme has developed and how its impact is being measured. There will be input from providers who have been part of the programme.

17.00	Close of day
18.15	Conference leisure activity
20.00	Conference dinner

Day 2

9.00-9.30	Overview/reflection on Day 1 and introduction to Day 2 – Deputy Director for Further Education and Skills
9.30-10.00	Presentations from external speakers – Deputy Mayor of London, students from a London college (subject to confirmation)
10.00-10.45	Presentations of 10-15 minutes from 4-6 countries on employer engagement
10.45-11.00	Refreshments
11.00-11.30	Presentations of 10-15 minutes from 4-6 countries on employer engagement (continued)
11.30-12.00	Table discussions on the best ways to engage employers
12.00-12.15	Feedback from table discussions
12.15-12.45	Final plenary, future joint projects and closing remarks – SICI executive
12.45	Lunch for those who wish it
13.30	Conference ends