

The National 14 – 19 Qualifications & Curriculum Reform Conference

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& Senior Managers in Education

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Speaker & Chair Biographies

John McNamara

Chair of the Federation of Awarding Bodies (FAB)

John leads the Executive Committee of FAB who are all volunteers representing FAB's very extensive membership of national awarding bodies.

He is also the Chief Executive of the British Institute of Innkeeping (BII). He is responsible for BII's two arms: BII, the professional member's organisation for licensed retailers and BIIAB, the BII's wholly owned awarding body for licensed retail qualifications.

John has over 20 years of strategic management expertise gained within the financial sector and holds graduate and post graduate qualifications from the University of Wales, the University of Aston in Birmingham and Ashridge Management College.

His vision for the future of FAB is to see our Association grow to become the first point of call for all awarding bodies in the industry, for the regulators and most importantly for our centres and students.

Dr. John Brennan

Chief Executive, Association of Colleges

John was appointed Chief Executive at the AoC in September 2003 where he had been Director of Further Education Development since 1996.

John has worked on funding and organisational issues affecting the FE sector including developments arising from the integration of post-16 education and training within the LSC framework, the funding methodology for the new Learning and Skills Council, and the organisational and regulatory issues involved in the operation of the new structure. Other areas of importance include overall sector funding and the Spending Reviews; the LSC funding and allocation system; accountability and bureaucracy issues; 16-19 funding, Curriculum 2000 and cost comparisons with schools; the FE student support system; and higher education.

His earlier experience was with the former Department of Education and Science. After teaching in a comprehensive school and in higher education he then became Assistant Education Officer in Coventry LEA, then moved to Wiltshire LEA as Assistant Director for Further Education. He was actively involved throughout the 1970s and 1980s in the development of further education at a regional and national level.

Dr. Mike Cresswell

Director General, Assessment & Qualifications Alliance (AQA)

Dr Mike Cresswell is Director General of AQA. He is also a Visiting Professor at London University's Institute of Education.

After an engineering degree and postgraduate training as a mathematics teacher, Mike joined the National Foundation for Educational Research where he worked on national and international surveys of students' mathematical attainment. In 1980, he joined the Research and Statistics Division of the Associated Examining Board, becoming its head in 1991. With the formation of AQA, he became head of its Research Group and then AQA's Director of Examinations Administration. Mike has a national and international reputation as an expert on assessment – particularly on the topic of setting examination standards. He has published many papers, research reports and books on assessment and has been a frequent contributor to policy groups, steering committees, seminars and conferences in this country and internationally. He is currently a member of the Assessment subgroup of Mike Tomlinson's 14 – 19 Working Group.

Martin Lamb

Director, Young People's Programmes Division, Learning & Skills Council (LSC)

Martin Lamb read chemistry at Leeds University. Following teacher training, he taught in Yorkshire for seven years. He then entered educational administration, first with North Yorkshire County Council and then Essex County Council dealing with both school and college matters. He obtained a M.Ed. degree by part-time study at Leeds University.

In 1992 he worked for the Further Education Funding Council, based in the Cambridge office, as the Regional Director for their Eastern Region.

From October 1999 to May 2001 he was seconded to the Department for Education and Employment to work on FE and funding policy issues and the development of funding approaches for the Learning and Skills Council.

He is now the Director of Young People's Learning at the Learning and Skills Council.

Martin Ward

Deputy General Secretary, Secondary Heads Association (SHA)

Martin Ward took up the post of Deputy General Secretary of the Secondary Heads Association on 1st September 2002.

After taking his A levels at Wyggeston College, Leicester, Martin worked briefly as a computer operator. He went on to do a maths BA at Warwick University and then later a MSc at Reading. Martin has mostly taught in sixth form colleges where he became Vice Principal at New College, Telford between 1982 – 1985 and then Principal at Wyke College from 1986 – 2002. In 1993-94 he was seconded to Smith and Nephew Medical Ltd for a year.

He was vice-chair of Hull Institute for Learning and a board member of Hull City Learning. He was vice-chair of the Association of Principals of Sixth Form Colleges and he set up and chaired the Yorkshire and Humberside Sixth Form Colleges Network. He was chair of the Statistics Group of the Further Education Funding Council. He has served as chair of the governing body of a secondary school.

Martin was widowed in 1999, after thirty years of marriage, and has two sons, Edmund and Michael. He has many interests, which include reading novels and popular science, mathematics, long distance walking, classical music and sumo.

Mike Tomlinson

Chair of the Working Group on 14 – 19 Qualifications & Curriculum Reform

Mike Tomlinson was born in October 1942. He is a chemistry graduate of Durham University and obtained his PGCE at Nottingham University.

He held various teaching posts in Nottinghamshire and Leicestershire between 1965 and 1977 and was involved in developing school/ industry links when the idea was not seen as necessary. In 1977, he was seconded to ICI.

In 1978, Mike Tomlinson joined HM Inspectorate of Schools and was promoted to Staff Inspector for Teacher Training in 1984 and to Chief Inspector (secondary) in 1989.

On the creation of OFSTED in 1992, Mike became Deputy Director of Inspection. He was promoted to Director in 1995 and Chief Inspector of Schools on 1 December 2000, retiring from this post on 30 April 2002.

Mike was honoured with a CBE in June 1997.

From 1999 – 2001 Mike chaired the Best Value Inspectorate Forum. He has also contributed to inspection development in China and Mexico and, after the Gulf war, helped to re-establish the school system in Kuwait.

On 1 June 2002, Mike became Chair of the Learning Trust, the body set up to manage education services for Hackney and from May became the part-time Director of Science Year, now re-branded Planet Science.

Mike led the enquiry into the A level grading issues of 2002 and will monitor the awarding process for 2003.

In January 2003 he became chair of the working group set up by the Government to take forward the 14-19 agenda.

Programme

Programme may be subject to change



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Registration – The Atrium

Exhibition, tea, coffee

Conference Chair: **John McNamara**

Chair of the Federation of Awarding Bodies (FAB)

10.15 – 11.00

Dr. John Brennan

Chief Executive, Association of Colleges (AoC)

11.00 – 11.45

Tea, Coffee & Exhibition

11.45 – 12.30

Dr. Mike Cresswell

Director General, Assessment & Qualifications Alliance (AQA)

12.30 – 14.00

Lunch

14.00 – 14.45

Martin Lamb

Director, Young People's Programmes Division, Learning & Skills Council (LSC)

14.45 – 15.30

Martin Ward

Deputy General Secretary, Secondary Heads Association (SHA)

15.30 – 16.15

Mike Tomlinson CBE

Chair of the Working Group on 14 – 19 Qualifications & Curriculum Reform

16.30

Tea/Coffee – Finish

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