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Dear Colleague,

Eastern Region 14-19 Curriculum Conference – June 24th and 25th 2004

Please find attached details of the second East of England 14-19 Curriculum Conference to be held at New College Cambridge on June 24th and 25th 2004. This builds on last year's conference which received overwhelmingly favourable comments from delegates, including those from Norfolk.

The scope of the conference embraces most of the current agendas which contribute to the development of inclusive learning for the 14-19 phase across the whole ability range and will attract a wide range of professionals from across the East of England region.

The keynote speakers are all national experts in their fields:

- Mike Tomlinson, Chair of the 14-19 Reform working party
- Margaret Murray, Head of Learning and Skills, CBI
- Martin Lamb, Director of Young People's Learning, National LSC
- Julia Feihn, LSDA Citizenship Project manager

The planning team representing all the regional LEAs and LLSCs has striven to achieve a balanced programme which addresses national issues as well as practitioner experience through both the key note speeches and the range of briefings provided by practitioners. The arrangements are flexible enough for you to choose to attend on either day or both and to be residential or non residential.

EM Curriculum Conferences, the conference organisers, are well versed in 14-19 issues and have a proven track record of running these events.

I look forward to seeing you there.

Yours sincerely,
Mike Hodkinson
LEA Adviser
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Enclosure

Eastern Region 14-19 Curriculum Conference 2004

**'Meeting the challenges and
extending the boundaries of the
14-19 curriculum in the
Eastern Region'**

**Raising standards and creating an
inclusive learning experience for all
students through increased
motivation, the use of alternative
qualifications, work related learning
and appropriate
teaching and learning styles.**

New Hall College, Cambridge

**Thursday June 24th
& Friday June 25th 2004**

East of England 14-19 Curriculum Conference 2004
New Hall College, Cambridge
Thursday June 24th & Friday June 25th 2004

Introduction and Aims:

The programme for this regional 14-19 conference is the result of collaborative planning and cooperation involving representatives from the region's LEAs and staff from the Government Office for the East of England and the conference company. It is designed as a two-day residential event, which can be accessed on a daily basis if desired.

This conference is based on the same model and structure as the successful East and West Midlands events that have run regularly for a number of years. Evaluations from these illustrate that the conference model successfully meets the needs of those engaged in the education, training and support of young people in the 14-19 phase. Two particular outcomes regularly identified by delegates are the positive contribution the event provides for their professional development and the support they gain from networking with other colleagues in the region. There is every indication this conference will be well subscribed and an early application is recommended.

Target Group: the conference is designed for:

- Senior and middle managers from schools and colleges
- Representatives from Education Business Liaison agencies and LSCs
- Representatives from the Connexions Services and Community Education
- Business representatives and Training providers
- Representatives from Higher Education

Conference delegates will be provided with the opportunity to:

- Receive the most up to date factual information on the 14-19 curriculum.
- Gain an overview of the major issues, tensions and future developments
- Access education and training practice from a range of sources
- Focus on lifelong learning, raising attainment and participation rates.
- Network with colleagues from the numerous organisations involved
- Celebrate and share local good practice
- Access new resources

Programme Design:

Each day offers at least two Keynote speakers of national repute focussing on current issues and developments relating to the 14-19 curriculum. Between the **keynote inputs, a menu of briefing sessions** are offered, providing information updates on initiatives, qualifications and local practice. Some **20+ briefing sessions** are available over the two days and delegates are able to access five / six briefings over the two days. A **resources display** is also available for access by delegates during the two days of the conference. This year the conference dinner will be preceded by a drama production from the Brief Candle theatre company. The drama has been sponsored by the Derbyshire Pathfinder and has been used in their local schools and colleges to assist students in the process of choosing vocational options. Members of the cast will join delegates for the conference dinner following the

performance.

East of England 14-19 Curriculum Conference 2004
New Hall College, Cambridge

Day One
Thursday June 24th 2004

Keynote Speakers:

Margaret Murray CBI
Martin Lamb National LSC

Briefings to include:

'Under construction! The development of learning programmes for years 10/11'
Alison Hoy, Deputy Head, Hertford Regional College

'Asdan programmes for the 14-19 Curriculum'
Brenda Thornton/Rob Barnett, Asdan

'Making better and more coherent learning programmes in the 14-19 phase'
Mike Connolly, Hertfordshire LEA

'Building coherent vocational pathways'
Janet Ryland, National LSC

'Progress File developing ILP's and providing a focus for transition'
Tim Farthing, Leicester City Cluster

'Curriculum Models for delivering the Personal Development and WRL curriculum'
Kay Ives, Leicester City Cluster
'Key Stage 4 Update'
Nikki Little, OCR

'A whole town approach to 14-19 collaboration'
Jim Porteous, Project, Leader, Stevenage Pathfinder

'Success criteria for IFP courses'
Myra Baldock, Oaklands College & Jane

Day Two
Friday June 25th 2004

Keynote Speakers:

Julia Fiehn LSDA
Mike Tomlinson Chairman 14-19 W.P.
Celia Johnson DfES

Briefings to include:

'WRL the new statutory requirement –A Framework'
John Allen, Consultant

'The impact of 14-19 developments on progression to HE'
Richard Skerrett, UCAS

'Post 14 vocational delivery'
Jim Nash, Djanogly Academy

'Tomorrows workforce'
John Allen, Consultant

'Consortium Timetabling'
Presenter to be confirmed

'Cultivating success through the BTEC suite and qualifications'
Sheelagh Glanfield, Edexcel

'Post 16 Citizenship –Entitlement'
Sylvia Caddick, Consultant

'NVQ's at KS4'
Presenter to be confirmed

'Delivering WRL through Subjects'
Stuart King, Leicester City Cluster

Conference costs

Please note that all prices are exclusive of VAT at 17.5 %

Full 2 days residential and conference dinner
£275

Day delegate rate for either Thursday June 24th and /or Friday June 25th £145

N.B. Day delegates on Thursday June 24th may wish to stay for the conference dinner scheduled for 8.15 p.m. If this is desired there will be an **additional charge to the day delegate rate of £175.**

Booking conditions

- ❑ No reservation can be accepted unless an official body has agreed and signed to be invoiced for the full fee.
- ❑ Reservations will be made on a “first come first served” basis and centres will be invoiced for places reserved. If delegates are unable to attend then a replacement representative can attend instead.
- ❑ In the event of cancellation, if notice reaches EM Curriculum Conferences in writing (c/o The City Cluster Office, Knighton Fields Centre, Herrick Road, Leicester. LE2 6DH)
 - i) Ten weeks before the conference no fee will be charged
 - ii) Between ten weeks and ten working days before the conference 50% of the fee will be charged.
 - iii) Less than ten working days before the conference then the **full fee** will be charged but substitutes will be accepted.

Please return completed booking form/s by fax or post to:

Sylvia Caddick,
E. M. Curriculum Conferences Ltd, c/o The Leicester City Cluster Office,
Knighton Fields Centre, Herrick Road, Leicester. LE2 6DH
Fax: 0116 2709759

Making your choice of briefing sessions to attend at the conference

In early May you will receive a complete list of the briefings available on each day with the short description for each session. You will then need to identify your choices and return your completed choice form to the Leicester City Cluster Office.

Sponsorship from the Government Office for the East of England for this event is acknowledged and has reduced costs to delegates as illustrated by the above prices.

**East of England 14-19 Curriculum conference
New Hall College, Cambridge
June 24th and 25th 2004**

Booking form

This form should be completed for **each** delegate wishing to attend. Please **photocopy** if more than one member of staff is applying. **To be returned by May 3rd.**

Name of delegate wishing to attend

Position or role

Name of Organisation &
full postal address

Name & address for invoice if
different to the above:

Tel. No:

Email address

Mode of attendance

Please **tick** the appropriate box below:

Application for a full 2 day residential place with conference dinner £275 +VAT

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Application for a day delegate place on Thursday June 24th £145 + VAT

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Application for a day delegate place on Thursday June 24th plus conference dinner £175 + VAT

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Application for a day delegate place on Friday June 25th £145 + VAT

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I have read and accept the booking conditions

Signed

Date

Name
(Print)

Role

Please make sure you have signed this booking form as this confirms your contract with EM Curriculum Conferences Ltd.

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