

WORKSHOPS 1

11:20 - 12:40

1a Room A	1b Room B	1c Room C	1d Room I
<p>Programme-based Funding</p>	<p>Learners as Partners</p>	<p>Sports Strategy: 'Going for Gold'</p>	<p>Qualifications Reform: impact on colleges</p>
<p>Purpose: To explore the ramifications of programme based funding and the role of colleges in making the new funding system operate effectively. Discussion will include how a programme based funding system can interact with the new Welsh Bacc, how 'uplifts' might work in the new system (including in relation to Welsh-medium delivery), and the practical challenge of moving to a new funding regime.</p>	<p>Purpose: To explore work conducted within colleges to ensure that learners are fully engaged in their learning. The workshop will cover key developments in the Learner Voice agenda and highlight guidance produced in association with NUS Wales to enable colleges and learners to work as partners. How colleges can adopt effective approaches in this area will be a key discussion theme in the workshop.</p>	<p>Purpose: The ColegauCymru draft sport strategy, 'Going for Gold', aims to ensure that learners can participate in sports at all levels, and lead active lifestyles. Key themes in the workshop will include how to ensure a positive legacy from the 2012 Paralympic and Olympic Games, especially in relation to widening participation in sports among underrepresented groups, and how excellence in sports can be promoted within colleges.</p>	<p>Purpose: The Review of Qualifications in Wales has set an ambitious agenda for qualifications reform that has been welcomed by colleges. Discussion at the workshop will include how qualifications reform can promote bilingualism and explore how significant changes proposed to the Welsh Bacc, Essential Skills and GCSEs can be made to work effectively within the context of a new regulatory regime supervised by Qualifications Wales.</p>
<p>Chair: Dafydd Evans ColegauCymru: Gavin Thomas</p>	<p>Chair: Jacqui Weatherburn ColegauCymru: Julie Lewis</p>	<p>Chair: Mike James ColegauCymru: John Graystone</p>	<p>Chair: Jim Bennett ColegauCymru: Greg Walker</p>
<p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Geoff Hicks, DfES ● Katy Burns, ColegauCymru 	<p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Raechel Matthey – Vice President, NUS Wales 	<p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Gethin Watts, Welsh Rugby Union ● Paul Young, Telford Colleges of Arts and Technology 	<p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Scottish Qualifications Authority Officer (tbc)

WORKSHOPS 2

13:40 - 15:00

2a Room A	2b Room B	2c Room C	2d Room I
<h3>Strengthening Higher Vocational Education</h3>	<h3>Employability & Entrepreneurship</h3>	<h3>Enhancing Digital Learning</h3>	<h3>Good Governance</h3>
<p>Purpose: A new Welsh Government higher education policy and the advent of funding for Higher Apprenticeships in Wales have helped put vocational higher education in the spotlight. Colleges are at the vanguard of the vocational HE agenda in Wales and this workshop will explore how colleges may best respond to the introduction of Higher and Graduate-level Apprenticeships and other key developments in this increasingly important area.</p>	<p>Purpose: Equipping students to progress into employment, self-employment or on to higher study is a core mission of colleges. How do we most effectively enable learners to develop the skills that will stand them in good stead for employment or starting a business / social enterprise? The workshop will look at the theoretical and practical aspects of these issues, including considering of practice companies.</p>	<p>Purpose: Colleges are rapidly embracing the potential of digital learning and this workshop aims to update managers on key developments in relation to the sector's use of iTunes U and the Welsh Government's new Hwb and Learning Wales portals. How digital learning can enhance staff development, learner engagement and Welsh-medium study will be key focuses of the workshop.</p>	<p>Purpose: Colleges have rapidly responded to opportunities for improved governance in line with the principles set out in the 2011 Humphreys' Review. New structures and mechanisms for community engagement in line with a 'social enterprise' model of governance have now been adopted by a few colleges. This workshop will explore developments with a view to sharing key insights and 'lessons learned'.</p>
<p>Chair: Barry Liles ColegauCymru: Greg Walker</p>	<p>Chair: Sharron Lusher ColegauCymru: Julie Lewis</p>	<p>Chair: David Jones ColegauCymru: Catrin Stephens</p>	<p>Chair: Mark Dacey (tbc) ColegauCymru: John Graystone</p>
<p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 🔴 Claire Arbury, City of Bristol College, Head of Apprenticeships 🔴 Simon Phelps - Welsh Government lead on Higher Apprenticeships 	<p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 🔴 Karen Philips, Coleg Morgannwg (tbc) 🔴 Andrew Penaluna, Professor of Creative Entrepreneurship, Swansea Met University 	<p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 🔴 Lindsay Harvey, Head of ICT DfES on the Hwb / Learning Wales 🔴 Pete Scott, RSC Wales 🔴 Owen Matthias – ColegauCymru 	<p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 🔴 Jim Bennett and Angela Lloyd (Coleg Gwent) (tbc) 🔴 Grŵp Llandrillo Menai (tbc)