



5th International Conference on Employer Engagement in Education and Training: **2018**

*Social Mobility, industrial and skills strategies, post-Brexit:
What role can employer engagement and technical education play?*

Thursday 5th and Friday 6th July 2018. BEIS Conference Centre, London Westminster

Confirmed keynotes: **Professor Kevin Orr** (University of Huddersfield), **Dr Anthony Mann** (OECD),
Sherry Coutu CBE (Founders4schools), **Dr Deidre Hughes OBE** (University of Warwick)

The charity Education and Employers* is pleased to announce the upcoming **5th International Employer Engagement Conference**. Organised with the support of the Edge Foundation, this two-day event will focus on employer engagement in education and training and how it relates to the Government's plans for social mobility improvement, the implementation of its Industrial Strategy and improving the flow of skills into the labour market post Brexit. In this context it is more important than ever for UK to grow its own skills, close the gap between education and employment, improve careers advice, expand employer engagement to underpin industrial strategy and tackle inequalities/drive social mobility.

*In addition to the research carried out by the charity in the past eight years, Education and Employers provides young people with the inspiration, motivation, knowledge, skills and opportunities they need to help them achieve their potential through [the Inspiring the Future programme](#), an online technology that connects state schools with volunteers from the world of work.

Confirmed speakers include: Professor Bill Lucas (University of Winchester), Antonio Ranieri (Cedefop), Olly Newton (Edge Foundation), Professor Sandra McNally (LSE), Anna Ludwinek (Eurofound), Professor Ann Hodgson (IoE), Professor Karen Evans (IoE), Janet Clarke (NEU), Tami McCrone (NFER), Ivan Diego Rodriguez (Valnanon), Dr Lynne Rogers (IoE), Professor Erica Smith (Federation University Australia), Dr Elnaz Kashefpakdel (Education and Employers), Professor Prue Huddleston (University of Warwick), Trisha Fettes (University of Warwick), Andrew Hall (British Council). **A full programme will be available mid-March 2018.**

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The 2018 conference will bring together leading researchers, practitioners and policy makers from around the world to present recent research and discuss employer engagement in education, policy development and delivery and provide a platform to influence governments' commitment to innovative policy and leadership in the field.

This latest international conference will build on the fantastic success of the 2016 event which brought together more than 100 speakers and 200 delegates from more than 20 countries to address key questions in the delivery and impact of employer engagement in education and training. **More details of the 2016 conference can be found [here](#).**

The proceedings of the previous conference were published in the well-respected Journal of Education and Work and selected papers were published in a follow-up report sponsored by Barclays LifeSkills. Additionally, a collection of papers presented at our past conferences were published in the books *Understanding Employer Engagement in Education: Theory and Evidence* (2014) and *Essays on Employer Engagement in Education* (forthcoming) by Routledge. **Videos from the sessions are available [here](#).**

More information on the conference programme will be provided by mid-March 2018.

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