

Edge & Rethinking Assessment Baccalaureate Working Group

Directory of contacts for Baccalaureate proposals

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Association of Colleges (AoC)	Name	Eddie Playfair
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	Interest/expertise	Interested in the contribution colleges can make to the post-16 phase of a national baccalaureate and how vocational, technical and general qualifications can all find their place in the framework. Former college principal and long term advocate of a more comprehensive and inclusive curriculum.
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	Interest/expertise	The Edge Foundation is dedicated to improving our education and skills sector to ensure it equips learners with the skills they need to succeed in work and life. We are particularly passionate about bringing together pioneering organisations and individuals who share this vision, so that together we can develop sensible policy and practical proposals for change.

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Highlands	Name	Lee Johnson (07829 800509)
	Job role	Vice Principal of Highlands College and University College (Jersey) (until end of the academic year, 2023)
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	Interest/expertise	At Highlands College Lee oversaw curriculum and quality across 4,500 students and 400 staff. He has written published reports covering sector skills shortages and led on regional and national curriculum developments in new areas of apprenticeships e.g. the creative media apprenticeship. He has been a key figure in Jersey's development and introduction of adult skills funding 'RETRAIN' and development of Jersey's International future skills framework in partnership with the Edge Foundation, UCL and City and Guilds. He is a member of the Black FE leadership group.
Independent Assessment Commission & Independent Review of Qualifications and Assessment, Scotland	Name	Louise Hayward
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	Interest/expertise	Former teacher and headteacher in state and independent schools. Longtime advocate of the benefits and merits of the International Baccalaureate, and a staunch believer in the need for curriculum and assessment reform in the UK.
London Interdisciplinary School	Name	Dr. Amelia Peterson
	Job role	Associate Professor and Head of Learning and Teaching
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	Interest/expertise	PhD in Education Policy from Harvard University, focused on qualification reforms in secondary education. Former program lead, Global Education Leaders' Partnership, facilitating system leader learning on curriculum, assessment and metrics.

Organisation	(Updated 30 May)	
National Bacculaureate Trust	Name	David Barrs (07760 484390)
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	Interest/expertise	Retired headteacher, previously served on the Heads Council of the International Bacculaureate. Member of the steering committee of the National Bacculaureate for England. Lifelong advocate for a values-driven, broad, bacculaureate education.
National Bacculaureate Trust	Name	Steve Willshaw
	Job role	Chair of the Trustees of the National Bacculaureate Trust
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Interest/expertise	Educational Charity and Awarding Organisation NCFE believes that through harnessing technology and trialling new approaches, assessment can deliver greater benefits for learners and employers. We've committed to spend £1m on trialling new approaches to assessment through our Assessment Innovation Fund (AIF). Information about the pilots which we've supported so far and the Fund in general can be found at https://www.ncfe.org.uk/help-shape-the-future-of-learning-and-assessment	

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Public First	Name	Holly Papworth (07979 196614)
	Job role	Senior Policy Manager
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	Interest/expertise	Holly supported Rachel Sylvester and an esteemed group of 22 Commissioners with developing the Times Education Commission's recommendations to reform the UK's education system - right the way through from early years to HE and lifelong learning. The flagship policy of the Commission, which reported in 2022, was the proposed introduction of a broader post-16 British BaccaLaureate, bringing vocational and academic qualifications under one umbrella, with Maths, English and digital skills studied to 18
Rethinking Assessment	Name	Rosie Clayton
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	Interest/expertise	Expertise in: Modes of assessment that could evidence learning different forms of learning in a BaccaLaureate. Digital credentials and credit based ways of recognising learning. Lifelong learner profiles for capturing and evidencing breadth of strengths and achievements. Methodologies for implementing innovations in the education system.
Rethinking Assessment	Name	Alistair McConville
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	Interest/expertise	Broadening assessment metrics beyond terminal exams to enable a greater variety of strengths and skills to be recognised

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Skills Builder Partnership	Name	Tom Ravenscroft
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	Interest/expertise	Teaching and assessment of essential skills; Employer-education links; Co-curricular learning; Collective impact; Social & Emotional learning
Welsh Government on secondment to University College London	Name	Huw Morris (07969 599999)
	Job role	Honorary Professor of Tertiary Education and formerly Director of Skills, Higher Education and Lifelong Learning
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	Interest/expertise	Post-16 education and training in Wales and the wider U.K. Experience of the development of the Welsh Baccalaureate and its links with other qualifications and educational pathways for young people and adults.
	Name	Nansi Ellis
	Job role	Education policy consultant
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	Interest/expertise	Independent consultant working with Edge, developed the principles and brought together ideas and challenges from participants. Managed the Independent Assessment Commission on behalf of the NEU.



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