

## Policy Forum for Wales Keynote Seminar

### Apprenticeships in Wales - quality, qualifications and opportunities for improving provision

Timing: Morning, Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Venue: Central Cardiff



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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Russell George AM**, Chair, Economy, Infrastructure and Skills Committee
- 9.05 - 9.35 **Ensuring high standards of Apprenticeships training provision in Wales**  
**Jackie Gapper**, Assistant Director, Estyn  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 - 9.45 **How the Apprenticeship system in Wales is viewed by employers across the UK**  
**Gavin Jones**, Head of Early Careers UK, Airbus
- 9.45 - 10.40 **Improving Apprenticeship quality, funding priorities and the role of Apprenticeships in meeting skills needs in Wales**  
**Professor Medwin Hughes**, Vice-Chancellor, University of Wales Trinity Saint David  
**Jane Lewis**, Manager, South West and Mid Wales, Regional Learning and Skills Partnership  
**Iestyn Davies**, Chief Executive, ColegauCymru  
**Lowri Jones**, Assistant Associate, Audit & Assurance, Deloitte  
Senior representative, training provider  
Questions and comments from the floor with **Gavin Jones**, Head of Early Careers UK, Airbus
- 10.40 - 10.45 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Russell George AM**, Chair, Economy, Infrastructure and Skills Committee
- 10.45 - 11.10 Coffee
- 11.10 - 11.15 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Assembly Member
- 11.15 - 11.25 **Key findings in the Maximising the Value of Apprenticeships to Wales report**  
**Helen Bready**, Nations Policy and Stakeholder Manager, City & Guilds
- 11.25 - 12.35 **Priorities for reforming Apprenticeship frameworks in Wales**
- The future for the Apprenticeship frameworks in Wales*  
Senior representative, advisory board
- Expanding Degree Apprenticeship provision*  
**Kieron Rees**, Policy Advisor, Universities Wales
- The role of training providers in a future reformed Apprenticeship system*  
**Kelly Edwards**, Head, Work-based Learning Quality, National Training Federation for Wales
- Widening access to Apprenticeships*  
**Gareth Parry**, Chief Executive, Remploy
- Increasing provision of Apprenticeships through the medium of Welsh*  
**Dr Dafydd Trystan**, Registrar and Senior Academic Manager, Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol
- Questions and comments from the floor with **Helen Bready**, Nations Policy and Stakeholder Manager, City & Guilds
- 12.35 - 12.55 **Qualifications in Apprenticeships in Wales - maintaining quality in a changing employment landscape**  
**Cassy Taylor**, Director, Qualifications Policy and Reform, Qualifications Wales  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Policy Forum for Wales closing remarks**  
Senior Assembly Member  
**Peter van Gelder**, Director, Policy Forum for Wales