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STF NEWS

ILA workshop in demand

The STF Workshop focussing on changes to ILA/ITAs and business opportunities with the Levy in England – being held in Glasgow on Wednesday 31 May - has proven very popular with members and is now fully booked.

STF will contact the speakers at the workshop to try and arrange a repeat of the workshop in the near future.

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STF Care Forum

The next meeting of the STF Care Forum will be held in Glasgow on Thursday 25 May 2017, from 1.00-3.00pm, in the offices of L&G Learning, The Hatrack, 144 St Vincent Street, Glasgow G2 5LQ.

All STF members are welcome to attend. To register your attendance, please email Lorna Trainer: ltrainer@landglearning.co.uk

[Click here for more details](#)

APPRENTICESHIPS

SAAB Structure and Remit document updated

A document outlining the Structure and Remit of the Scottish Apprenticeship Advisory Board has been updated and posted to the SDS web site. [Click here for more details.](#)

PROCUREMENT

Scotland Excel contracts

Prior Information Notices for Scotland Excel contracts have been published on the PCS web site: http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/show/Search_View.aspx?id=MAY282583 and http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/show/Search_View.aspx?id=MAY282586

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SCOTLAND

New updates to apprenticeships website

SDS has worked with training providers to help shape developments to dedicated website apprenticeships.scot. The site now includes a step-by-step guide to the process of taking on a Modern Apprentice, from application and tendering right through to completion.

Soon it will be possible to search for publications which currently exist on the Provider Area of skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk. Plans are also underway to migrate Modern Apprenticeship publications to apprenticeships.scot to ensure all apprenticeships information and documentation is together in one place. [Click here for more details.](#)

MEMBER NEWS

SQA Centre Operating Agreement

SQA have recently completed a review, the aim of which was to ensure that a strong foundation for the relationship between each approved centre and SQA is sufficiently protected for both parties. Over the next couple of weeks SQA will be writing to all relevant approved centres asking them to either sign and return a new Centre Operating Agreement or an updated version of their current operating agreement.

If you have any queries about this, please do not hesitate to contact your SQA account manager or alternatively contact My Centre by telephone on 0303 333 0330 or by email on mycentre@sqa.org.uk

APPRENTICESHIP LEVY

Levy web links updated

The latest information from Scottish Government and Skills Development Scotland on the Apprenticeship Levy in Scotland can be accessed via links on the [STF web site](#).

A link to information on the Apprenticeship Levy in England is also available on this page.

EQUALITIES

Diversity Conference – reduced rate for STF

The Diversity Conference for Scotland in association with Standard Life takes place on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at the Radisson Hotel, Glasgow from 9.00 am – 4.00pm.

The Conference will focus on 3 key drivers to achieving inclusive growth within Scotland: Equality, Economy and Employment & Skills.

STF members may attend at a reduced rate. [Click here for more details.](#)

Forthcoming meetings and events

17 May 2017

STF Board
CDN, Stirling

31 May 2017

STF Workshop – Update on
ILA/ITAs
FULLY BOOKED

14 June 2017

STF Workshop – Equalities and the
business bottom line
City & Guilds, Glasgow

26 & 27 September 2017

STF Annual Conference
Crieff Hydro

A full Calendar of Events is
available on the STF web site at:
www.stf.org.uk

STF UPDATE

What's the story?

If you have any news articles or job
vacancies that you would like
included in next week's issue of
STF Update, please contact [Stuart
McKenna](#)

MEMBER NEWS

Regulatory Services MA

A new Modern Apprenticeship in Regulatory Services and Trading Standards is currently being developed. It is expected that at least ten councils will offer the apprenticeship in the short term. The new MA will create a demand for training providers with occupationally competent assessors and verifiers in regulatory services and trading standards.

STF members who currently offer this service – or who would like to develop this service – are asked to contact Deirdre Joy on email: DJoy@pkc.gov.uk

MEMBER NEWS

Job vacancy – City & Guilds

City & Guilds is recruiting for a Business Development Manager based from its Glasgow office. [Click here for more details.](#)

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ITCA calls on schools to prepare young people for the workplace

STF member, ITCA Training, is calling on North-east schools to prepare youngsters for the workplace through an industry initiative aimed at plugging the engineering skills gap. [Click here for more details.](#)

MEMBER NEWS

Quest hold graduation for Perth & Kinross Council MAs

STF member, Quest Training, held a graduation ceremony recently to recognize the achievements of Modern Apprentices at Perth & Kinross Council. [Click here for more details.](#)

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