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Executive Summary

Information and
registration details for
the Europe Unit
conference on the
Bologna Process on 19
June

Attachment(s)

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1. This Europe Note informs institutions and stakeholders of the forthcoming UK HE Europe Unit conference, '**Are we nearly there yet: Towards a European Higher Education Area**'. The conference takes place on **19 June** at Woburn House in London.
2. A conference brochure is attached including a registration form and further details of the agenda and speakers. **To register for the conference please return the form to Naomi Drinkwater by Friday 5 June** (contact details attached).
3. The conference will examine the outcomes from the London ministerial summit from the UK perspective, explore the benefits and challenges for UK HEIs presented by the Bologna Process and share information on how institutions can increase their engagement and capitalise on the opportunities.
4. Speakers will include heads of UK HEIs and stakeholder organisations and speeches will be complemented by working group sessions on key Bologna Process issues including: quality assurance, qualifications frameworks, doctoral level qualifications, Masters degrees, the Diploma Supplement and developing a European strategy for your institution.

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Tuesday 19 June 2007

**Woburn House
Conference Centre,
20 Tavistock Square,
London WC1H**

Speakers include

Bill Rammell MP,
Minister of State for
Higher Education

Peter Williams,
Chief Executive,
Quality Assurance
Agency and President,
European Association
for Quality Assurance
for Higher Education

Professor Sir Roderick
Floud, Vice President,
European University
Association

David White, Director
of Lifelong Learning,
Education and
Training Policy,
European Commission
Education and Culture
Directorate-General



Specifically, the conference will:

- Examine the outcomes of the London Ministerial Summit on the Bologna Process in May 2007 and its implications for UK HEIs from the perspective of leading national experts on European HE policy
- Explore the benefits and challenges for UK HEIs presented by the Bologna Process and share information on how institutions can increase their engagement and capitalise on the opportunities
- Share experience and good practice through a series of working groups focusing on:
 - The Diploma Supplement
 - Doctoral level qualifications
 - Developing a European strategy for your institution
 - Quality assurance and the European register of quality assurance agencies
 - Masters Degrees

**'Are we nearly there yet:
Towards a European Higher Education Area by 2010'
Tuesday 19 June 2007**

Delegate Booking Form

To register please complete the information section below:

Delegate Details

Name _____

Title (Mr/Ms/Mrs/Dr/Prof) _____ Position _____

Organisation _____

Address _____

Postcode _____ E-mail _____

Tel No _____ Fax No _____

Special requirements (diet, disability etc) _____

Signature _____

(I have read and agree to the terms and conditions below)

Working Group Selection:

You may attend one working group in Session 2. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis subject to maximum numbers.

Please indicate a 1st and 2nd preference below:

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Delegate Fee:

Cost of attendance is £160 +(28) VAT = £188 per delegate.

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I enclose a cheque for £ _____

Cheque to follow cheques should be made payable to Universities UK

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Natwest Account No. 36254339,
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Please return this form to Naomi Drinkwater by Friday 5 June (subject to availability).

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Terms and Conditions

Cancellations must be received in writing 10 days prior to the event to qualify for a refund. We regret that no refund can be made for cancellations received after this time, however substitute delegates will be accepted. If you have not received confirmation of your place one week before the event please contact us on the enquiries tel no. above.

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**'Are we nearly there yet:
Towards a European Higher Education Area by 2010'**

The Bologna Process aims to create a European Higher Education Area (EHEA) by 2010. The London Ministerial Summit, which will be held in May this year, provides an opportunity to assess the extent of progress made so far.

Bringing together leading national and European experts on the Bologna Process and European HE issues, this Conference will outline the implications for the UK of the London Summit. Looking to the future beyond the 2010 target date, it will highlight the benefits and challenges the Process presents for UK HEIs and the opportunities that exist for engagement.

Working group sessions will focus on key Bologna Process reforms including: quality assurance, qualifications frameworks, doctoral level qualifications, Masters degrees, the Diploma Supplement and developing a European strategy.

Who should attend?

Representatives from the higher education sector in the UK and Europe including:

Vice Chancellors

Principals and Directors of Colleges of Higher Education

Senior staff with responsibility for European issues

Senior staff with responsibility for quality assurance

Academic registrars

European officers

International officers

Research officers

Student records officers

Representatives of European University Rectors' Conferences

Representatives of UK higher education stakeholder organisations

Agenda

(subject to change)

09.30

Registration and coffee

Session One

Chair – Professor Drummond Bone, President, Universities UK

10.00

Welcome and introduction

Professor Drummond Bone, President, Universities UK and Vice-Chancellor, University of Liverpool

10.10

Outcomes of the London Summit and the future of the EHEA

Professor Sir Roderick Floud, Vice President, European University Association

10.30

Qualifications frameworks in the EHEA

Dr Stephen Adam, Principal Lecturer, Department of Social and Political Studies, University of Westminster

10.50

Questions and Discussions

11.10

Refreshments

Session Two

11.30

Working Groups

(Delegates should choose to attend one of the groups from the 5 listed below. Places will be allocated on first come first served basis subject to room capacities)

A. Quality assurance
Carolyn Campbell, Head of International Affairs, Quality Assurance Agency

B. Diploma Supplement implementation
Huw Morris, Academic Registrar, University of Swansea

C. Doctoral level qualifications
Professor Ella Ritchie, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Newcastle University

D. Developing a European strategy for your institution
(tbc)

E. Integrated Masters degrees
Dr Anthony Ashmore, Registrar, Royal Society of Chemistry

12.45

Lunch

Session Three

Chair – Professor Paul Wellings, Vice-Chancellor, Lancaster University

14.00

European Quality Assurance developments

Peter Williams, Chief Executive, Quality Assurance Agency and President, European Association for Quality Assurance for Higher Education

14.20

The European Commission and the Bologna Process

David White, Director of Lifelong Learning, Education and Training Policy, European Commission Education and Culture Directorate-General

14.40

The London Communiqué – implications for UK HE

Bill Rammell MP, Minister of State for Higher Education

15.00

Panel discussion

15.45

Final round up

Professor Paul Wellings, Vice-Chancellor, Lancaster University

16.00

Closing

Booking Fees £160 + VAT per delegate

Fees include refreshments, lunch and conference papers

Conference details are also available on www.europeunit.ac.uk/news/index.cfm



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