



New Approaches, New Skills for Social Inclusion – Seminar Programme

Association of Colleges and MBO Raad will each be delivering a series of seminars in The Netherlands and UK to support the objectives and outcomes of the New Approaches, New Skills for Social Inclusion project, which are to link together the key drivers of social and educational policy into a single agenda to support those who are educationally disadvantaged within Europe.

The project aims to bring together like-minded organisations across the nations that wish to address this agenda and help to determine the future shape of jobs and skills across Europe.

Digital Learning and Social Media

UK Date: 5 July 2011, City of Westminster College

Register: <https://www.aocreateevents.co.uk/ukdigitallearningandsocialmedia>

Netherlands date: 12 September 2011, venue tbc

The purpose of this seminar will be to enable Colleges to think about ways of engaging young people and adults through digital learning and Social Media.

The seminar will focus on the use of technology for marketing, as a resource and on the use of different forms of online assessment. There are few organisations which have embraced the digital and social media agenda to really make a difference to the learning experience or, in particular, to engage those who are not participating in learning and development. This international seminar will include contributions from UK Colleges as well as Colleges from other EU member countries.

New Skills for New Jobs to Encourage Social Inclusion and Social Mobility

UK Date: 12 October venue tbc

Register: <https://www.aoccreateevents.co.uk/uknewskillsnewjobs>

Netherlands date: tbc

To provide job opportunities for all and create a more competitive and sustainable economy, Europe needs a highly skilled workforce able to meet current and future challenges. To ensure this, it is urgent to invest in the right skills and improve the matching of jobs with these skills across the EU, by effectively forecasting future trends.

Colleges across Europe are beginning to think of ways in which they can use their individual experiences of projects to work together to tackle barriers that prevent young people and adults from continuing their education, especially those from disadvantaged socio-economic and vulnerable groups.

This seminar will explore the possible development of an EU Skills Passport and VET alumni scheme.

Taking Forward the Social Inclusion Agenda

Date: 14 November 2011

Seminar NCC Birmingham (ahead of the AoC Annual Conference)

The purpose of the seminar will be to enable Colleges from the UK and the Netherlands to come together to review the outcomes of the project and to identify and develop future initiatives to address the New Approaches, New Skills for Social Inclusion agenda.