Exciting change and landmark achievement

There is much to celebrate in our latest newsletter following an exciting month for the Institute.

At the end of January our name changed to the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education as we took on more responsibility for T Levels. From the end of January we assumed responsibility for arranging the approval of outline content for all T Levels; issuing contracts to awarding organisations; and approving the final T Levels ready for providers to teach. One of our first acts was to award contracts to the Awarding Organisations that will develop, deliver and award the first three T Levels.

We also celebrated the landmark achievement of approving the 400th new employer-designed apprenticeship standard for use. This was for Fashion Studio Assistants and its approval coincided perfectly with the launch of London Fashion Week.

You can read about all of this and more in our February newsletter. This is being published as we prepare for this year’s National Apprenticeship Week, which falls between 4 and 8 March. This year’s theme is ‘Blazing a Trail’ and is all about challenging perceptions around apprenticeships. Keep your eyes peeled, as we will be celebrating a fantastic apprenticeship each day of the week.

400th new apprenticeship launched in London Fashion Week for Fashion Studio Assistants
Young people aspiring to have a career in fashion can enter Britain’s world-renowned fashion industry through the 400th apprenticeship that has been cleared for use from today.

The official launch of the Fashion & Apparel Assistant apprenticeship coincides with the beginning of London Fashion Week, with the British Fashion Council, led by Chair Stephanie Phair, celebrating the new apprenticeship in her opening speech today.

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Latest news

Tendering process launched for new EQA provider

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Name change ushers in exciting new dawn for T Levels preparations
The Institute has launched a tender for organisations to provide quality assurance for apprenticeships assessments on our behalf.

Open Awards has held the contract to deliver this EQA service since August 2017. A public tender has now been launched inviting bids from organisations that could take this on until 2021.

On the 31 January the Institute for Apprenticeships formally adopted the name the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education after taking its responsibilities for the new T Level Programme.

The Institute will assume responsibility for arranging the approval of outline content for all T Levels, for issuing contracts to awarding organisations who will develop the detailed qualifications, and for approving the final T Levels ready for providers to teach at colleges and schools throughout England.

A major milestone was reached on 13 February, as contracts to develop, deliver and award the first three T Levels have been awarded by the Department for Education and Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education.
WE HAVE APPROVED OVER 400 STANDARDS SO FAR, A SELECTION OF OUR MOST RECENTLY APPROVED STANDARDS ARE SHOWN BELOW

- Bioinformatics scientist
- Fashion studio assistant
- Improvement leader
- Learning skills teacher
- Leisure team member
- IT solutions technicians

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From our blog

On the 31 January the Institute took responsibility for the Technical Qualifications, which is the main, classroom-based element of the T Level. It’s an exciting day for the Institute as we:
driving some of the biggest reforms seen in technical education.