INDEPENDENT HIGHER EDUCATION

IHE Annual Conference Programme 2018

(Subject to change)

Monday 26 November 2018

13:30 Registration and refreshments

Albert Hall

MASTERCLASSES SESSION ONE (14:00-15:20)

Delegates will have the opportunity to select one of the electives below in session one and an alternative in session two. Please make your selection at registration. Rooms are subject to maximums.

1. Improving graduate outcomes – employment and employability

- Matthew Batstone, Co-founder and Director, Convenor for Professional Skills, New College of the Humanities
- Saad Qureshi, Dean, SAE Institute

2. International Students – Tier 4 compliance

Speakers to be confirmed

3. Student Feedback – Success at the NSS

- Hema Tank, Associate Dean, The London Institute of Banking and Finance
- **Dr Janet Rose**, Principal, Norland College
- Dr Karen McInnes, Head of Learning, Teaching and Research, Norland College
- Ellie Russell, Student Engagement & Partnership Manager, NUS

15:20 Refreshment break

MASTERCLASSES SESSION TWO (15:30-16:50)

Delegates should select an alternative elective below to session one. Please make your selection at registration. Rooms are subject to maximums.

4. Business intelligence – using sector data in higher education process

- Rhodri Rowlands, Senior Data Visualisation Officer, Jisc
- Oliver Sussat, Director, Academy of Contemporary Music
- Alison Berry, Head of Stakeholder Liaison, HESA

5. Supporting students from different backgrounds

- **Dr Graeme Atherton**, Director, National Education Opportunities Network (NEON)
- **Joe Stevens**, Senior Lecturer in Law, Bloomsbury Institute London
- Sarah Bailey, Deputy Director of SEWS, Bloomsbury Institute London

6. Building effective partnerships

- Keith Bartlett, Director, Keith Bartlett Associates
- Prof Randall Whittaker, Pro Vice-Chancellor Academic, Leeds Arts University
- Phil Berry, Director, Open University Validation Partnerships, The Open University

Power Networking Circles (16:50-17:30)

Delegates will have the opportunity to take part in Power Networking Circles on topics of interest to them.

INDEPENDENT HIGHER EDUCATION DINNER AND AWARDS

18:00 Drinks reception and networking

19:00 Dinner and Independent Higher Education Awards

Welcome from Alex Proudfoot, Chief Executive, Independent Higher Education

Guest speaker **Martin 'Ace' Kent**, Head of Creative Development, Academy of Contemporary Music, and guitarist in UK rock phenomenon Skunk Anansie

Tuesday 27 November

09:00 Registration and refreshments

PLENARY SESSION (09:30-11:10)

09:30 Welcome

- 09:40 Opening address from Alex Proudfoot, Chief Executive, IHE
- 10:00 Conversation with Sam Gyimah MP, Minister of State for Universities, Science, Research and Innovation

10:30 SWOT-ing up - risks and opportunities for independent HE

Chaired by Marie Clark, Director of External Relations, IHE

- Mark Leach, Founder and Editor, Wonkhe
- David Sweeney, Executive Chair, Research England

with more speakers to be announced soon

11:10 Refreshment break and networking

BREAKOUT SESSIONS (11:30-12:30)

Delegates will have the opportunity to select one of the sessions below. Please make your selection at registration, Rooms are subject to maximums.

- 1. Understanding Student Data in 2019
 - Alison Berry, Head of Stakeholder Liaison, HESA
 - David Howell, Registrar & Commercial Director, ICMP
- 2. The new routes to Degree Awarding Powers
 - Will Naylor, Director of Colleges and Alternative Providers, QAA
- 3. Access and Participation where it counts: the OfS approach
 - Jessica Woodsford, Head of Programmes, Fair Access & Participation, Office for Students

12:30 Lunch and exhibition

PLENARY SESSION (13:20-14:20)

13:20 A Sustainable Future for International Education in the UK

Chaired by Joy Elliott-Bowman, Director of Policy & Development, IHE

- Sir Ciaran Devane, Chief Executive, British Council
- Alexandra Grace, Education New Zealand

with more speakers to be announced soon

14:20 Refreshments and networking

BREAKOUT SESSIONS (14:40-15:40)

Delegates will have the opportunity to select one of the sessions below. Please make your selection at registration. Rooms are subject to maximums.

1. Good Governance: principles and practice in independent HE

- Robin Middlehurst, Professor Emerita of Higher Education
- Professor Roger King, Visiting Professor at University of Bath
- Dr Kate Clarke, Chief Executive, Higher Education Partnerships and Quality
- David Parry, Chair of the Board, All Nations Christian College

2. The Review of Level 4-5 Education in England

- **Simon Taylor**, Policy Team Leader, Department for Education
- Karl Dixon-Myers, Senior Policy Advisor, Department for Education

3. Final breakout session to be announced soon

PLENARY SESSION (15:40-16:40)

15:40 Levelling up - playing fields and professional standards in HE

- Nicola Dandridge, Chief Executive, Office for Students
- Douglas Blackstock, Chief Executive, QAA
- Paul Clark, Chief Executive, HESA

16:30 Closing remarks