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uni east update

News from the Association of Universities in the East of England (AUEE)

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"Ten years ago, the Universities and HE colleges in the East of England came together to create AUEE to facilitate collaboration between ourselves and our regional partners, including the Government Office in the East and EEDA.

Much has been achieved: new HE Campuses in Southend, Peterborough and Ipswich, with Harlow and Thurrock in the pipeline, have ensured provision in areas of the region where there was no local access to HE.

Through joint projects, the universities have ensured close working with business in the region, as well as helping to develop sectors that are of economic importance to the East of England. We have also made a name for ourselves in working with partners in community and public engagement: important as the Big Society strategy develops.

With the formation of the new Coalition Government in May 2010, it became clear that most elements of regional governance would be swiftly dismantled, and the new Local Enterprise

Partnerships would become the key players in local and area governance, along with new found powers and responsibilities for local authorities. The members of the Association decided, therefore, that AUEE should be cease its activities from 31 March 2011.

All the HEIs in the region want to thank the staff of AUEE during the ten years of its existence, and reassure colleagues that collaboration will continue apace, but in a different way. This final edition of the e-zine lists for you all the main contacts in our universities in the AUEE groups, and the website (with similar details) will continue to operate until 2012 as a reference document for any enquiries you may have.

Thank you for your support of AUEE over the years. Together, I believe that we've made a significant and lasting contribution to the region, its economy and its people."

Yours



Ensuring Access to HE Seminar

On Tuesday 29 March 2011, AUEE will be hosting a seminar to brief colleagues and partners on the new arrangements for widening participation at Madingley Hall, Cambridge. The landscape is changing rapidly, and this one day event will give a window on the new arrangements.

John Storan from Action on Access will give a keynote speech on issues around access to HE, OFFA and the new guidance, and HEFCE will give a report on the White Paper and its implications.

The seminar will also draw together research to outline the current access position in the East, and will signpost future activity. There will be a presentation

considering the implications and impact of recent work on widening participation in the region, and address how new partners can formulate the impact of real delivery.

To reserve a free place at this seminar, please email angelanorth@eeda.org.uk, or call 01223 200816. Past WP and AimHigher events have been popular, so please book straight away!

EU funding event report

The EU funding seminar on 23 February was well attended. Informative sessions on Framework 7, Interreg and Lifelong Learning were balanced with practical case studies. Our region does not always take up its share of funding allocation, and the seminar was a good reminder on



the opportunities available. Thanks to the speakers and Jackie Eveleigh from the East of England Brussels Office for her help in setting up the day. Jackie.eveleigh@east-of-england.eu +322 289 1200.

Community Engagement event

Community Engagement professionals from around the region's Higher Education Institutions met at Madingley Hall on 16 February to consider the changes to community and public engagement over coming months. Prof. John Goddard gave a fascinating paper on the Civic University and the Leadership of Place, and Sophie Duncan and Julie Worrall talked about the Public Engagement Manifesto. In the afternoon Prof. Bill Jones from the Universities Association for Lifelong Learning gave a presentation. Community Engagement colleagues agreed that there would be significant benefit from continued collaboration in the future (see page 5 for community engagement contacts).

Helping students volunteer!

The 5th event in the series on how volunteering can help an individual's employability prospects is themed '*A continuum of opportunity – helping students volunteer for employability*'. The **23 March 2011** event is being jointly hosted by University of Bedfordshire and



University of Hertfordshire, and will take place at the De Havilland Campus at Hatfield. **To book a free place, Prof. Bob Reeve at reeve64@btinternet.com or 01954 250032.**

Steering committee

The AUEE Steering Committee is made up of the Deputy Vice Chancellors and Pro-Vice Chancellors with responsibility for regional matters.

It has acted as the monitoring and implementation body for the AUEE Strategic Plan, as well as responding to any public consultation that affects the Higher Education sector. It reports to the AUEE Board, and has

met quarterly.

During recent years Steering Committee has:

- contributed to regional papers on education and skills, helping to fill in the HE cold spots in the region;
- monitored collaborative HEI projects, such as:
 - GradsEast, a graduate recruitment service dedicated to the East of England and working partnership with businesses, large and small;
 - MOVE, the Lifelong Learning partnership in the

East of England which established progression accords for vocational studies in key regional sectors, and the more recent

- Low Carbon ERDF Project (managed by Anglia Ruskin on behalf of the region).

It has commissioned research with EEDA and the University of Essex looking at the Impact of HEIs on the economy of the region, which will be launched later in 2011.

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About the business development team

Established by AUEE almost ten years ago, the Association's Business Development Team (BDT) has become an active network that has added value to the member HEI's business facing capabilities.

The establishment of the BDT coincided with HEFCE's introduction of its Higher Education Innovation Fund (HEIF) that will shortly enter round 5. To date, HEIF has enabled all HEIs to structure and grow their interactions with the business sector

that, for some at least, had been little more than KTP and consultancy activity until that time.

Despite changes in structures, the BDT has been able to support businesses, through a wide range of services and products. These have included GradsEast, Ask UniEast, Lord Stafford Awards (for SME innovation), and more recently, a regional low carbon ERDF collaboration and many more.

AUEE has worked strategically with the East of England Development

Agency and Business Link East to make sure that businesses within the region can access the help they need from our HEIs.

2011 sees the end of AUEE and with it, the established BDT network. However, after a lead-in period of almost ten years, the business-facing services offered by the region's university sector institutions have grown and matured to the extent that they will continue to flourish through HEIF 5 and beyond.

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Community and public engagement committee

The East of England is well known in the higher education sector for its collaborative work on community and public engagement.

In 2005 AUEE commissioned research to gauge the provision and effectiveness of the community work undertaken by the HEIs, and since then, colleagues have

worked together to improve their own and others work, and collaborate on regional projects.

Each year there have been conferences and seminars, disseminating the working practices of colleagues which have been well supported across the region.

One of the key facts to emerge is that community and public engagement work has been very diverse, and no one university delivers the same offer, nor do they account for it in the same way.



Much of their work is grounded in their local areas, and because of their joint work together, most HEIs are now able to account for the value of this work to the university and its community.

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Deans of Health group

The AUEE Deans of Health Group are the representatives of those universities offering medical education within the region, and the Group has spent a considerable amount of its time working with the Strategic Health Authority and other key partners on ensuring that medical education meets regional needs. With the demise of both AUEE and the SHA, the Deans of Health Group will continue to meet to discuss the key issues facing medical education, much of which is commissioned regionally.

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Widening Participation

Widening Participation has been a key priority in the region over the last decade for both AUEE and Aimhigher. Aimhigher has had notable successes with its county based programmes, encouraging people to apply to university who may not have any experience of higher education in their family. Aimhigher, like AUEE, will be closing its doors later in the year, but the

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