

Higher Education: A Brave New World?



**A briefing session
for senior
University staff and
non-executives on
the new regulatory
framework for HE**

**15th March 2018 -
Central Manchester**

Join Uniac, HEFCE and QAA in a briefing session exploring the new regulatory framework for HE and what it means for HE providers

Context

The Government has recently released a series of consultations that start to implement the changes set out in the Higher Education and Research Act 2017. They also take forward a number of key Government priorities, respond to recent high-profile issues such as debates around free speech and vice-chancellors' pay, and set out how the new Office for Students, replacing HEFCE, will operate.

With the outcomes of the consultations then due and the OfS to come into operation on 1st April 2018 this will be an ideal opportunity to engage directly with key organisations responsible for making the new regulatory framework function, learn more about the changes and what they mean, and consider the implications for your institution.

This session will be relevant to:

- Governing body and audit committee members who have a key oversight and governance role within institutions
- Senior University management and staff with responsibility for strategy and policy development, planning and horizon scanning, governance, compliance, risk, academic quality and student experience



Agenda

10.00: Arrival, Tea and Coffee

10.20: Introduction.

Andrew McConnell OBE, Director of Finance – University of Huddersfield and Chair of the Uniac Board

10.30: The New Standards Regime.

Maureen McLaughlin - Head of Universities and Standards, QAA.

Maureen will give the QAA's perspective on the new regulatory framework with a particular focus on exploring the future of academic quality and standards in the new regulatory framework, providing insight on the development of a revised UK Quality Code, and giving early thoughts on how quality reviews may be undertaken in the future.

11.15: The Transition to the new Office For Students.

Jacqui Brasted - Head of Regulation and Assurance, HEFCE/OfS.

Jacqui will explore the transition from HEFCE to OfS, looking at the key changes and how regulation and assurance may function in the new regime, and provide insight into the implications for HE providers.

12.00: Panel Discussion

Introduced by Chris Taylor - Senior Consultant, Uniac

12:30: Lunch and Networking

Venue: Friends Meeting House, 6 Mount Street, Manchester M2 5NS

If you would like to reserve a place, please reply to Amanda Tallon (atallon@uniac.co.uk /Tel 0161 237 1174) by 28th February 2018.

Please note that this event will be followed in the afternoon by the Uniac Annual General Meeting (13.30) and Board Meeting (14.00). This is for Uniac members only.

