

BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT

# Annual Conference & Annual General Meeting

# 2014

10-11 September 2014 Leicester Mercure Hotel



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british association for  
supported employment

[base-uk.org/conference](http://base-uk.org/conference)



#base2014

## Speakers will include:

Esther McVey MP, Minister for Employment (invited)

Stephen Timms MP, Shadow Minister for Employment (invited)

Richard Hawkes, Chief Executive, Scope

Carrie Dunn, Senior Human Resources Business Partner, National Grid

Jo Harry, Inclusion and Diversity Manager, GlaxoSmithKline

Sherann Hillman, Co-chair, National Network of Parent Carer Forums

# What is BASE?

With around 180 member organisations across Britain, BASE continues to be a powerful and united voice for its members. BASE represents and supports the supported employment sector, informing its members' activities through regional forums, newsletters, national conferences and its website.

2014 sees continued work on the development of a national Disability and Health Employment Strategy. This is likely to include pathfinder projects to examine how

the personalisation and funding of services can be enhanced. We also have reviews of the Access to Work programme and the Two Ticks accreditation system. The education reforms bring a new focus to achieving employment outcomes and Supported Internships are now widely available.

BASE continues to encourage a professionalisation of the sector and is now delivering a Level 3 Certificate for Supported Employment Practitioners. Our aim is to get quality issues back on the agenda.

The conference aims to demonstrate what works in supporting people with a range of disabilities in the workplace.

Our 2014 conference offers another strong programme of workshops and speakers, reflecting the wide range of topics and issues pertinent to supported employment agencies across the country. It will examine these issues and offers an unparalleled opportunity for delegates to share experiences, discuss innovative solutions and look to partnership opportunities.

The conference is intended to inform and raise awareness of policy initiatives and best practice across the country. It offers a key opportunity to network with a wide variety of organisations and discuss the delivery of supported employment as a high quality and cost effective means of service provision for people with disabilities or other economic disadvantage. of service delivery for people with disabilities or other economic disadvantage.

## **This conference provides a unique opportunity for delegates to:**

- ▶ Discuss today's issues in workshops with experienced practitioners.
- ▶ Listen to, and question, Government policy
- ▶ Hear about the best in Supported Employment practice

## **Who is the conference aimed at?**

- ▶ Supported Employment and Welfare to Work Providers
- ▶ Jobcentre Plus staff
- ▶ Health and Local Authority commissioners
- ▶ Providers of Supported Internships
- ▶ Education funders, and Further Education staff
- ▶ Information, advice and guidance workers
- ▶ Policy makers and strategists

## **Benefits of attending**

- ▶ Over 20 workshops providing learning and discussion about best practice
- ▶ Ideal for the professional development of new and experienced staff
- ▶ Network with professionals from across the country
- ▶ Discover potential solutions to those tricky issues.
- ▶ Hear the latest on policy developments
- ▶ Opportunities to question experts and discuss policy issues.

## **BASE Annual General Meeting**

The conference will include the BASE AGM on the afternoon of 10 September. All delegates are invited to attend but only paid up members are eligible to vote on any resolutions.

## **Why not join us?**

Full membership of BASE is open to any organisation delivering supported employment services. In addition, associate membership is available for organisations, including employers, which support the aims of BASE whilst not delivering direct support into employment. Membership brings a range of benefits including discounted delegate fees at events, full access to our website pages, newsletters and news updates and participation in our regional network activities.

**For further information please contact us at [admin@base-uk.org](mailto:admin@base-uk.org)**



# Conference Programme

## Policy

- ▶ Personalisation & personal budgets
- ▶ Procurement and Supported Business
- ▶ Disability & Health Employment Strategy
- ▶ Preparation for Adulthood: SEN reforms
- ▶ Access to Work

## Commissioning

- ▶ Supported apprenticeships
- ▶ Social impact bonds
- ▶ Funding of Supported Internships
- ▶ Supported Internships: an employer perspective
- ▶ Personalisation in the Work Programme

## Employer Engagement

- ▶ Engagement with national employers
- ▶ Employer perspectives
- ▶ Mental health awareness training
- ▶ Flexible recruitment processes

**Please note that the programme may be subject to change due to circumstances beyond our control.**

## Practice

- ▶ Welfare benefits
- ▶ EUSE Toolkit for Diversity
- ▶ Support for people with autism conditions
- ▶ Support for families with multiple barriers
- ▶ Achieving more with less
- ▶ Successful transitions from education to employment
- ▶ Delivering quality provision

## Speakers

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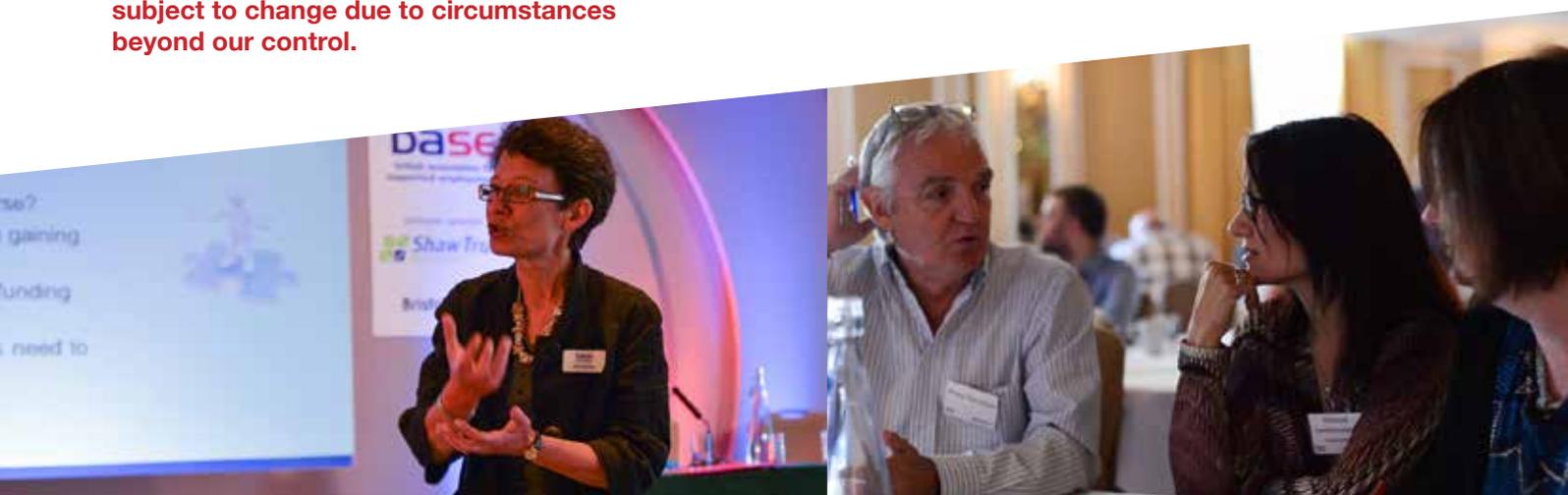
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# Conference Dinner and Awards

Delegate fees include attendance at our conference dinner and awards evening on 10th September where we will be celebrating the best in supported employment practice.

- ▶ Team of the Year Award
- ▶ Practitioner of the Year Award
- ▶ Innovation Award
- ▶ Best Employer Practice Award
- ▶ David Grainger Award



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# The Venue

This year's conference takes place in the centre of Leicester

## Location

The Mercure Hotel is situated 400m from Leicester railway station, which has mainline connections from across the country.

SATNAV: To programme your sat-nav, please use the postcode LE1 6ES

## Parking

Hotel parking is limited to residents only at £7 per day. NCP car parks are available at East Street and the Rutland Centre (£20 per day). Leicester Station has parking at £13.50 per day and the council has car parks at Dover Street and the Haymarket Centre.

## Accommodation

Leicester has ample accommodation to suit all tastes and budgets near to the conference venue.

BASE can arrange delegate packages inclusive of accommodation if required. Please contact us for details.

<http://www.booking.com/city/gb/leicester.html>





# Conference Registration Form

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**FAXBACK**  
Fax directly to us  
on 01204 886977

Please complete one form per delegate, using photocopies where necessary and return to:  
BASE Secretariat, Unit 4, 200 Bury Road, Tottington, Lancashire BL8 3DX or fax it on  
01204 886977

Please book me a place at the conference.

- £320 + VAT (£384) Members  
(including conference dinner and awards evening)
- £400 + VAT (£480) Non Members  
(including conference dinner and awards evening)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Position: \_\_\_\_\_  
Organisation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please indicate any diet, communication or mobility needs:**

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**Please note that workshop choices are made at the conference.**

### Exhibition space

There will be some exhibition space available at no charge to members. This is limited, so please contact us if you wish to bring a display stand.

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Please forward the invoice to the following address  
(if different to delegate address):

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### Terms and Conditions

**Conference fee:** Payment must be received by the date of the conference. The discounted member rate is available only to 2014-15 paid members of the British Association for Supported Employment.

**Accommodation:** Accommodation costs are not included in the conference fee unless stated.

**Cancellations:** All cancellations must be received in writing and will be subject to an administration charge. If we receive the cancellation before 1 August 2014 a charge of 20% will be retained. If we receive a cancellation after this date then the full fee must be paid. We are happy to accept a substitute delegate if the original delegate is unable to attend.

**I confirm that I have read and agree to the terms and conditions.**

Authorised Signature:

Position:

Date: