

## Beyond Online basics

A series of regional briefing events for stakeholders involved in the delivery of Online basics, or who may be interested in finding out more about it and seeking potential partners for delivery in their region. It will also be of interest to anyone supporting adults to get online or improve their basic ICT skills.

Times: Start/End 12:30pm - 4:15pm

Region	Date	Venue
London	Thursday 23 September 2010	London Metropolitan Archives
West Midlands	Monday 27 September 2010	BVSC, Birmingham
North East	Wednesday 29 September 2010	Civic Centre, Newcastle
North West	Tuesday 5 October 2010	Kings House, Manchester
Yorkshire and the Humber	Thursday 7 October 2010	St. George's Centre, Leeds
South West	Monday 11 October 2010	Learning South West, Taunton

## Background

“The 10 million people in the UK who have never been online are already missing out on big consumer savings, access to information and education. They will be even more isolated and disadvantaged as government and industry expand ever faster into digital-only services.....We will be better off when everyone is online.” (Manifesto for a Networked Nation, Foreword, Martha Lane Fox, July 2010 p4)

Following the Review of ICT Skills by Estelle Morris and her report in June 2009, a recommendation was made that “an offer of basic ICT skills be made available to adults of all ages and all levels of education who do not have Digital Life Skills at a basic level” and the resource Online basics was developed in partnership with UK online centres. Government targets have been set as part of the Race Online 2012 initiative to encourage as many citizens as possible to “get online”. The new Manifesto highlights a series of recommendations and actions for organisations and individuals.

UK online centres themselves are encouraging the take up of Online basics by those who do not have basic IT skills in line with meeting the Government targets. They will do this in particular by supporting providers to embed the use of Online basics in their ICT provision and enhance their curriculum development with this additional offer of a resource for learners with basic ICT skills needs.

<sup>1</sup> <http://www.dius.gov.uk/~media/3F79A51589404CFDB62F3DA0DEBA69A1.ashx>

<sup>2</sup> <http://raceonline2012.org/manifesto>

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## Aims

NIACE will host nine regional events that will widen engagement in the Online basics programme by offering briefing to a wide range of potential providers and stakeholders. The events will share and promote good teaching and learning practice in digital inclusion initiatives taking account of best practice in delivery and offering latest advice on good practice models and information on funding opportunities. This regional work should ensure that providers make strong connections with local authorities' work on digital inclusion and with local digital inclusion strategies, together with Third Sector organisations who may be part of UK online partnerships.

## Audience

The events will be of particular interest to:

- Anyone supporting adult learners to get online and improve their ICT skills
- Curriculum development staff and ICT team leaders in lifelong learning services in local authorities
- Digital inclusion advisers in local authorities who may be wanting to work with UK online centres or get citizens online
- Local authority planning departments involved in the new Eco development initiative (formerly Eco Towns) who may want to encourage citizens to use Smart meters and similar technology, including project managers for telecare and telehealth pilots in the Department of Health
- Third sector organisations in receipt of UK online Champion grant funding
- Managers and learner support staff in UK online centres
- Organisations who have been involved in delivering basic ICT skills as part of Transformation Fund projects.

## Provisional Programme

- 12:30** Registration and lunch (project showcase stands)
- 13:00** Welcome and context – What is Online basics?
- 13:20** Small group work – What are the challenges in your workplace to deliver Online basics?
- 13:40** Feedback issues and concerns and questions from tables
- 14:00** Options for support  
Examples of good practice - short inputs
- 14:30** Tea/coffee break (project showcase stands)
- 14:45** How we do it – one case study from the region
- 15:15** How can you make it work in your setting?
- 15:45** Plenary – panel – questions – what else do you need?
- 16:15** Close

This programme is correct at the time of going to press. The organisers reserve the right to make changes to the published programme in the event of one or more of the advertised speakers being unable to attend. Participants have no claim against NIACE in respect of such changes.

## Event information

- Arrival and registration is at 12:30pm for a 1:00pm start. The event will end at 4:15pm
- Attendance is free to anyone supporting adult learners to get online and improve their ICT skills (includes sandwich lunch, tea/coffee)
- Places will be allocated in order of receipt of completed application forms
- Participants should be prepared to take their own notes as there will not be handouts for all sessions
- If you have not received an e-mail confirming your attendance and joining instructions 4 working days before the event please contact:

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## Application conditions

- Substitutions are to be advised **5 working days** prior to the event
- A **10 working days** notice period is required for provision of electronic note-takers, sign language interpreters and transcription to Braille
- Places can be reserved online via: [www.niace.org.uk/events](http://www.niace.org.uk/events)  
Alternatively completed and signed application forms can be faxed or posted to NIACE by the closing date. Reservations by telephone cannot be accepted
- Application forms are individually acknowledged by e-mail. Joining instructions, including map and directions, will be e-mailed out one week before the event
- NIACE reserves the right to reject applicants who are not from the target audience list.

NIACE, the National Institute of Adult Continuing Education, was founded in 1921. The National Institute seeks to secure an education system responsive to the diversity of adults' needs and aspirations as learners, and in particular to those who benefited least from initial education. It is our belief that a system fit for adults of all ages and in all their complexity will work better for all learners.

The National Institute is active in many areas - in research, development, publishing, seminars, conferences and training courses, and has an active individual membership.

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Please complete the application in **BLOCK CAPITALS**

## Application Form

Attendance is free to anyone supporting adult learners to get online and improve their ICT skills

(includes sandwich lunch, tea/coffee)

I would like to reserve a place on the following regional event in the region I work in:

Event date	Ref No.	Closing date
<input type="checkbox"/> London - Thursday 23 September 2010	EVE1045LO	Thursday 9 September 2010
<input type="checkbox"/> West Midlands - Monday 27 September 2010	EVE1045WM	Monday 13 September 2010
<input type="checkbox"/> North East - Wednesday 29 September 2010	EVE1045NE	Thursday 16 September 2010
<input type="checkbox"/> North West - Tuesday 5 October 2010	EVE1045NW	Thursday 23 September 2010
<input type="checkbox"/> Yorkshire and the Humber - Thursday 7 October 2010	EVE1045YH	Thursday 23 September 2010
<input type="checkbox"/> South West - Monday 11 October 2010	EVE1045SW	Monday 27 September 2010

### Participant's details

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Full name \_\_\_\_\_

Job title \_\_\_\_\_ Organisation \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime tel no. \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile no. \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate which sector you work in: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

This is my  Home address  Work address  Joining instructions will be sent by e-mail, if you would prefer to receive these by post, please tick this box

### Participant's requirements

Please specify any requirements for access or equipment

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NIACE requires a 10 working days notice period to make arrangements for electronic note-takers, sign language interpreters and transcription to Braille.

I have the following dietary requirements

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### Agreement - I accept the NIACE Event Information and Application Conditions

Signature

PRINT First (given) and family names

Date

Please return completed application form to:

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20 Princess Road West, Leicester, LE1 6TP  
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