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RSC London events: visioning showcases * themed updates * round table forums * training workshops

Collaboration, sharing best practice, expert updates and simply talking to others in the same position - RSC London events planned for 2012 enable the strength of sharing in the face of technology and e-learning challenges.

The move to Moodle 2.0 has wide-ranging teaching and organisational implications so “Making the Leap” next month’s major showcase event will leverage in recent experience. The Work-Based Learning mobile technology showcase in March, Supporting Learners in a Digital Age in April and Digital Creativity workshop in May will each provide a blend of support and stimulating ideas. Updates on e-Safety are scheduled for February and May. Good practice will be collected and shared in sessions on the ‘The Grade 1 College’ and the Innovation Catalogue - a community collection of online learning materials.

Peer-led round table forums are the chance to set your experience and planning in context and so we have get-togethers for IT managers; Round Tables for Moodlers and Moodle in HEIs; a Creative Disciplines forum and the termly North London eLearning and Staff Development Managers forums. Finally, the opportunity for all our contacts to gather together is our annual end of year event: the e-Factor Showcase in June.

So we hope to see you soon and if you would like to get in touch with others around an e-learning or technology issue not mentioned here, then ask your [RSC contact](#) about getting a group together...

RSC London Events

8th February 2012 9.30-4.30pm [e-Safety: Developing Effective Practice](#) - Brettenham House, WC2E 7EN - FREE to supported organisations

29th February 2012 10.00-4.30pm [Moodle 2.0 Making the Leap](#) - Senate House, London, WC1E 7HU - £50 for supported organisations

14th March 2012 10.00-4.30pm [Xerte Online Toolkits Advanced User Day](#)- Islington City Learning Centre, London, N5 2EG - £50/£75

21st March 2012 [Work-based Learning Conference and Workshop: 'Mobile Technology in Learning'](#) - London, WC1H 9HQ - FREE to supported organisations

National/Regional Events

27th-29th March 2012 [Environmental Association for Universities and Colleges \(EAUC\) Annual Conference 2012 - Delivering the framework for a sustainability learning legacy](#) – York – Fees

30th April-7th May 2012 [Universities Week](#)

12th-18th May 2012 [Adult Learners' Week](#) **Deadline for nominations 27th January 2012**

13th-14th June 2012 **Call for papers:** [Seventh International Blended Learning Conference](#) – University of Hertfordshire (in partnership with JISC Advance)

RSC London News

JISC Advance expands supports for FE and Skills

JISC Advance has appointed Nigel Ecclesfield to manage its new FE and Skills Development and Resources Programme. This new project – secured with over £1 million of UK-wide funding – will see us offering a wider range of resources and information to the FE and Skills sectors.

Staff Development Network meeting

The next regional Staff Development Network meeting is taking place in March. This group meets once a term in central London and is proving a popular, informal event for sharing ideas and good practice around CPD and staff development. Managers responsible for HR, CPD or staff development and who would like to join the network are invited to email k.dev@rsc-london.ac.uk.

Recent event reports

Presentations from December's RSC Online Green Conference: Practical Advice for Greening your Organisation, are now available. This report and links to those of other events can be found on our new website at: <http://www.jiscrsc.ac.uk/london/were-you-there.aspx>

Other News

JISC Netskills workshop programme

The new programme of workshops from JISC Netskills runs from 24th January to 23rd March 2012 in London, Edinburgh, Birmingham, Glasgow, Newcastle, Bristol, Nottingham and online. The workshops on offer will cover web technologies, information skills and other topical e-learning themes. The full programme is listed at:

<http://www.netskills.ac.uk/content/products/workshops/public/index.html>

FOTE12 - Date announced

FOTE12 will be taking place on the 5th of October 2012, in Senate House. Meanwhile access to the keynotes from past FOTE conference (2010 & 2009) and this year's MoodleMoot UK conference is available via ULCC's [YouTube channel](#).

Adult Learners' Week Awards

The Adult Learners' Week Awards (ALWA) recognise and celebrate the learning achievements of adults who have transformed their lives for the better, and who can inspire others to give learning a go. This year the ALWA will seek to recognise learning that has improved the lives of learners through the use of technology or innovation. <http://www.alw.org.uk/learning-awards>

Two free JISC-funded events on Sustainable ICT

Information for Energy Efficiency Improvement – Dashboards, Displays, Reports and Other Measures to Change User Behaviour, London Campus of Coventry University, 9 Feb 2012. A workshop on how people use energy information and the implications for displays and reporting.

Conferencing in Universities and Colleges - Improving Performance, Reducing Travel and Stress?, Warwick University 6 March 2012. A workshop on the use of video-conferencing and opportunities to reduce travel. With presentations from SustelT, Welsh Video Network, University of Bristol (on their Greening Events project) and JANET. This event will also be streamed live.

More information and booking for these events at: <http://www.eventlink.org.uk/>

Funding opportunities

Regional innovation in teaching and learning funds (RITLF)

LSIS is inviting providers to bid for an LSIS funded-project which will promote innovative continuing professional development (CPD) in teaching and learning. Each project will be funded up to the value of £5,000. Deadline: midnight on 13 February 2012. Full details and application form available from:

<http://www.lsis.org.uk/workingwithlsis/opportunities/funding-opportunities/Pages/default.aspx>

JISC Grant Funding 20/11: Embedding impact analysis in research using BCE practitioners - Second Round

The Joint Information Systems Committee (JISC) invites institutions to submit funding proposals for partnership projects to embed good practice in impact analysis in research departments utilising the expertise of Business and Community Engagement practitioners and information management specialists. Funding of up to £30,000 per project is available.

The deadline for proposals is 1 March 2012 Full details and eligibility criteria from:

http://www.jisc.ac.uk/fundingopportunities/funding_calls/2011/12/grantcall2011.aspx

Resources

Innovating e-Learning 2011 - Presentations now online

Recordings, presentations and associated resources attached to the main conference programme of the **JISC Online Conference: Innovating e-Learning 2011**, are now available **free of charge**. There are a number of excellent sessions covering **digital literacies** in the main programme and also in the preceding Activity Week so it's definitely worth a look!

<http://www.jisc.ac.uk/whatwedo/programmes/elearningpedagogy/elconference11.aspx>

JISC launch the Measurement Tools Wiki

Over the years JISC has developed tools designed to help institutions to measure various aspects of their performance. This could be to determine **comparative areas of strength and weakness, to help identify priorities for investment or to enable the institution to benchmark themselves against peers** or against themselves prior to undertaking a change initiative. The purpose of the Measurement Tools Wiki is to bring these tools together in one place and to help you to identify and access the one you need. The Measurement Tools Wiki can be accessed via <https://toolstechniques.pbworks.com>

TechDis Tuesdays - dialogues to make a difference

This new programme of short, online fortnightly workshops from JISC TechDis aims to help you get the most out of their tools and services. The sessions are scheduled to last for 20 minutes and will include:

- a short video conversation on a specific accessibility theme;
- a live 'accessibility clinic' on the day's topic, providing an opportunity for people to swap stories, compare experiences and discuss good practice;
- a signpost to relevant resources from JISC TechDis and other partner organisations.

The coming programme and joining details are available from:

<http://www.jisctechdis.ac.uk/techdis/investinyourself/havetooffer/onlineworkshops/techdistuesdays>

Apps4Skills from RSC Eastern

Our colleagues at RSC Eastern have selected a variety of the most useful open source software tools for the learning and skills sector. More information and a zip download available from here: <http://www.jiscrsc.ac.uk/eastern/news/2012/january/download-the-apps4skills-resource-today.aspx>

JISC InfoNet's Mobile Learning infoKit

Mobile learning changes what is possible in education: it allows the learner to communicate with tutors and peers, as well as access learning resources. JISC InfoNet's Mobile Learning infoKit will guide you through the stages needed to **incorporate mobile learning into your organisation's strategy**.

<https://mobilelearninginfokit.pbworks.com/w/page/41122430/Home>

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