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## Final chance to book for UKNARIC19 conference: record 31 countries in attendance

Monday 28 October is the final chance to book your delegate place for the UKNARIC19 conference in London on 4 and 5 November. Booking closes at 11pm GMT.

If your institution is a UK NARIC member, ensure you are using any complimentary conference places you are entitled to.

You can also book paid-for places. Members get a discount. If you don't know your discount code, contact your account manager, or email [conference@naric.org.uk](mailto:conference@naric.org.uk)



If you have booked your conference place, but have not yet booked your workshop choices, you should do so urgently.

The UKNARIC19 keynote speaker is Bill Hayton [pictured top right], author of *Vietnam: Rising Dragon*, and *The South China Sea: the Struggle for Power in Asia*. Bill is an Associate Fellow of Chatham House, and a long-serving BBC News journalist. In an age faced with challenges and tensions, Bill will discuss how we can navigate the risks, maintain our values and integrity, and work towards a balanced international strategy.

Opening the conference on day two is Conor Burns MP [pictured above], the Minister for International Trade at DIT, on the importance of education exports, and expanding our international activity.

The Minister's speech will be followed by the Question Time-style panel, featuring Dr Shakila Shamsu, of India's Ministry of Human Resource Development (which includes the education remit); from Australia, Wencong Chai, Director Admissions, University of Sydney; Professor James Miller, Deputy Vice Chancellor Strategy, Glasgow Caledonian [READ MORE](#)

## IMS Summit: Open Badges, digital credentials

The UK National Europass Centre attended the [IMS Europe Summit 2019](#) in Barcelona. IMS Global is the world-leading non-profit collaborative advancing



## Successful training in Australia

The UK NARIC training team completed a series of successful, well-attended training days in Melbourne and Perth, Australia, in October.

The tour began with training workshops at the [Victorian TAFE Association \(VTA\)](#) in Melbourne; we also delivered tailored on-site training at [VETASSESS](#) and the [Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership](#).

In Perth, the training took place at [The University of Western Australia](#).

Events like these are valuable opportunities for UK NARIC to meet members [READ MORE](#)



## Brexit – essential guidance for employers of regulated/licensed professionals

With continuing uncertainty around Brexit, it is essential that businesses, organisations or institutions employing regulated and/or licensed professionals, as well as internationally mobile professionals and professional bodies, understand changes that might come in the recognition of professional qualifications.

During October 2019, UK NARIC is providing guidance and information on the recognition of professional qualifications for employers, and for the regulators that are responsible [READ MORE](#)

edtech interoperability, innovation, and learning impact.

The summit was an opportunity to hear the latest standards IMS have developed with specific interest in the advancement of digital credentials [READ MORE](#)

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## Admissions 1+2 and Tier 4 training: Glasgow dates

We have training days and seminar events coming up in **Glasgow**. Places are still available. **Admissions Officer Training (Level 1)** is on 26 November; **Admissions Officer Training (Level 2)** on 27 November; and the **Tier 4 Compliance Seminar** on 28 November. [READ MORE](#)

## Improving recognition, credit transfer in international exchanges

When students consider undertaking a study or traineeship placement abroad, they want to understand what happens with the credits they have earned overseas, how the placement is part of their programme, and how their achievements will be recognised. Likewise, employers and academics need a clear picture of what international placements mean for students' skills, achievements and progression.

However, approaches to outward student mobility credit transfer and recognition vary greatly from country to country – as well as within the UK.

A new report, [Higher Education Outward Mobility Credit Transfer and Recognition](#), aims to help UK higher education institutions [READ MORE](#)



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## Members: navigation improvements in Qualification Comparisons

In response to member feedback, navigation improvements have been made in the Qualification Comparisons section of the UK NARIC International Qualifications Hub. [READ MORE](#)



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## Quarterly statistics series: July to September 2019

UK NARIC presents the 18th edition of our quarterly statistics series, covering July to September 2019. This shows movements in numbers of completed UK NARIC individual enquiries [READ MORE](#)



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