

# Get involved in... National Employer and Education Taskforce

Help shape the future of employer–education links by contributing to the new National Employer and Education Taskforce.

## Why get involved?

The National Employer and Education Taskforce is a new organisation set up to build a national partnership between employers and the world of education. It includes high-profile business and education leaders who will work with government to support the development of a better educated and more employable generation of young people.

The Taskforce will help to lead the national debate about getting the best from employer–education links. It will highlight existing good practice, identify gaps and duplications, and help employers to help schools increase the employability of young people, which is a key issue for maintaining Britain’s competitive edge in the coming century.

The Taskforce is currently drawing up its rules of governance and plan of work. Employers are welcome to contribute to this process and to the future work of the Taskforce.



### **Benefits for young people**

The Taskforce will help to ensure that every school has an effective relationship with employers. It will play a key role in:

- improving guidance for young people about the world of work
- providing them with career role models and quality work-related activities
- raising their aspirations, helping them to make informed choices about their career options
- helping schools that operate in challenging circumstances.

### **Benefits for employers**

By contributing to the Taskforce, you will have the chance to influence the future of employer–education links, what form they take, how they work and what part they play in the overall curriculum.

The Taskforce will also function as a voice of employers for DCSF, enabling you to feed back your views to government.

### **Next steps**

The Taskforce is establishing its trustees, governance and plan of work over the summer, to launch formally in autumn 2009. As part of this process, we want to hear your views, learn from your experiences and understand your concerns.

If you are interested in finding out more, sharing your thoughts or contributing to the work of the Taskforce, either now or at a later date, please email Nick Chambers at [Nick.Chambers@neept.org](mailto:Nick.Chambers@neept.org)