

## Review of the year: 2015/16

### A selection of our work so far this year

#### Submitted responses and evidence to:

- ✓ Dowling Review of business-university collaboration.
- ✓ Department for Business, Innovation and Skills Consultation on Postgraduate Study.
- ✓ Science and Technology Committee Inquiry into the Science Budget.
- ✓ HEFCE Consultation: Future approaches to quality assessment in England, Wales, and N Ireland.
- ✓ Business, Innovation and Skills Committee Inquiry into quality assessment in Higher Education (HE).
- ✓ OfQual consultation on AS and A Level Mathematics and Further Mathematics Conditions and Guidance.
- ✓ Department for Business, Innovation and Skills Consultation Fulfilling our Potential: Teaching Excellence, Social Mobility and Student Choice (HE Green Paper).
- ✓ Department for Business, Innovation and Skills Review of the Research Excellence Framework (Stern Review).

#### Established:

- ✓ Task Groups on contextually based learning (arising from the Perkins Review and the Royal Academy of Engineering's *Universe of Engineering* Report).

#### Delivered:

- ✓ Successful Recruitment and Admissions Forum 2015.
- ✓ 2015/16 UG and PGT enrolments poll.
- ✓ Student prize – deadline 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2016. New team category for this year, as well as individual category.
- ✓ Publication with the Campaign for Science and Engineering on the role of EU Funding in UK Science and Engineering Research.
- ✓ Co-commissioned research and advised HEFCE on the priorities for distribution of the £1.7M fund for postgraduate engineering conversion programmes. Provided representation on decision panel.
- ✓ Our position statement on the Teaching Excellence Framework.
- ✓ Invited participant in 3 Westminster Higher Education Forum events.

#### Currently underway:

- ✓ Engagement Leadership for the development of the National Centre for Universities and Business (NCUB) Engineering Hub.

We have Committee members sitting on panels and Committees in a range of influential organisations including:

- QAA (Scotland) Committee
- President of the Institution of Measurement and Control
- EPSRC Strategic Advisory Team for Engineering
- Membership of Primary Engineer's South of England Stakeholder Group
- Royal Academy of Engineering group Education for Engineering (E4E)
- Advisory Committee on Mathematics Education Outer Circle

#### Members' Portal

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We continue to develop our password-protected Members' Portal on our website, we have now made available a range of detailed engineering-specific HESA, UCAS and HEFCE data and benchmarking tools which we hope will be useful to members, particularly for departmental and university planning purposes.

You should have received your password when your subscription payment was acknowledged for this year. If not, please contact us ([info@epc.ac.uk](mailto:info@epc.ac.uk)).

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