

## **Annex E**

### **EBTA**

The Employer Based Training Accreditation, EBTA, project is co-ordinated by Foundation Degree Forward (fdf) and is working to establish higher education accreditation for education and training provided in the workplace.

#### **Who is involved?**

The project is being led by three of the fdf regions (SW, NE and NW) and is supported by a National Advisory Group chaired by Dr John Mumford OBE, formerly Vice President of the UK region for BP.

#### **How does it work?**

Fdf works with a range of Universities, Further Education Colleges, Chambers of Commerce, UnionLearn and other employer groups to

- Help employers consider the benefits for their company from the accreditation of existing training being carried out in the workplace.
- Provide trained EBTA facilitators to carry out a preliminary analysis of the training and assigns notional credits and levels
- Arrange for a university with relevant subject expertise to advise the employer on the way the training might be accredited and an indication of costs and to undertake the accreditation
- Facilitate further progression by employees where they or the employer want to expand their skills and knowledge.

#### **What are the benefits?**

- This is a simple system.
- Funding is available to support employers participation
- Adds value to the training and its impact in the workplace
- Helps to motivate and retain staff and so save recruitment costs.

Supports staff who might never have considered taking a higher education qualification to extend their skills and horizons

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