



MAKING THE SYSTEM WORK

We shared
the best
in lifelong
learning
across
Europe

“The well-structured and coherent work programme builds on the successes of 2012/14. It is elaborate and robust... gathering... an evidence base for policy development.”

- EU evaluation report

The work we do in Europe, as the national lead on lifelong learning, helps the UK make a significant contribution to an international public policy agenda and influence EU activity and investment in line with our own priorities.

We act as a broker for all the key stakeholders – from government ministries to learning providers – with our counterparts throughout Europe. We facilitate knowledge and experience sharing on lifelong learning. And we translate and interpret what’s happening in the EU from a UK perspective.

Our work brings together strategic partners across the UK – NIACE and NIACE Cymru are joined by the Forum for Adult Learning Northern Ireland and Scotland’s Learning Partnership. The UK-wide impact forums we set up provide a valuable framework for exchanging ideas, insights and information.

This year we hosted a conference in Edinburgh, attended by adult learners, practitioners and policy-makers from 19 countries. The event addressed issues like demographic change and migration, and attracted contributors from international organisations including the OECD and UNESCO.



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“Our impact forums not only captured impact, but created it too; with four themes, four research summary papers, four meetings with memberships of 20 –25 learning from over 50 presentations.”

- Dr Janine Eldred, NIACE Senior Research Fellow



Read more about our work to support the European Agenda for Adult Learning
www.niace.org.uk/our-thinking/blog/citizens'-curriculum---learning-cliff-edge



Download proceedings from the conference we hosted in Edinburgh
www.niace.org.uk/our-resources/promoting-learning-and-skills/international-learning-times-conference-scotland-2014