

# Launch of Special Interest Group

## Quality Assurance and Quality Enhancement in e-Learning (practitioners moving from a QA to QE agenda)

Wednesday 10th September during ALT-C  
University of Leeds, Sports Hall 2, 1-2pm

If you wish to be kept informed about the activities of the SIG, then please join the JISCmail list QA-QE SIG by going to [www.jiscmail.ac.uk](http://www.jiscmail.ac.uk)

More information on the QA-QE SIG, see also: [www.qe-sig.net](http://www.qe-sig.net)

The QA-QE Special Interest Group is a group of practitioners, both academic and professional support staff, interested in using technology to enhance the quality of learning, teaching and assessment. Some institutions involved in the HEA/JISC e-learning Benchmarking & Pathfinder Programmes are collaborating in a Network Project ([www.lkl.ac.uk/research/qa-elearning](http://www.lkl.ac.uk/research/qa-elearning)) which developed and ran a series of workshops in the area of QA-QE in e-learning. Several other institutions expressed an interest in working with the Network Project, and this led to the establishment of the Special Interest Group (SIG) in the area of QA-QE in the use of technology to support teaching and learning at a meeting in Reading in May 2008. At that meeting, the SIG set up an interim steering group to further develop the 'mission statement' and organise the launch.

This practitioner-led SIG aims to invigorate QA-QE and make it relevant to everyday practice in enhancing teaching, learning and assessment through technology. Its objectives are:

- to share, aggregate, and synthesise practice in using technology to enhance the quality of learning,
- to share aggregate and synthesise good practice in quality assurance procedures relating to the use of technology in teaching, learning and assessment,
- to build synergies internally, between Higher Education Institutions and with other external sector agencies,
- to influence local and national policy.

The SIG has set out a year-long first phase of activities, ending in July 2009 after a review to determine the most useful actions for later work. Initial outputs will include:

- Practical toolkits.
- Services e.g. workshops, sharing practice.
- Resources e.g. the community, knowledge-base, portal/wiki, published documents.

**The SIG will be officially launched on Wednesday September 10th at the ALT-C 2008 conference in Leeds.**

**Please come along and talk to us and pick up some information. We will be in Sports Hall 2 from 1-2pm.**



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