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Welcome to this edition of the national European Social Fund Newsletter.



European Social Fund and The Skills Show 2014 film

A short film has been downloaded onto YouTube showing some of the highlights of ESF involvement with last year's Skills Show. The film features Peter Stub Jorgensen, European Social Fund Director, from the European Commission and Keith Smith, Director of Funding and Programmes at the Skills Funding Agency; as well as the ESF exhibition area with ESF projects talking about their involvement with ESF and The Skills Show.

[>>European Social Fund and The Skills Show YouTube film](#)



Cornwall businesses sign up to ReBoot

A new training programme, ReBoot, supported by Skills Support for the Workforce, is teaching businesses in Cornwall's tourism industry how to enhance and add to the natural environment in addition to reducing their own impact. The programme is aimed at increasing and improving natural habitats, soils and food for pollinators and using planting and natural water systems to ease flooding and drought. Work includes cleaning waterways, creating compost toilets and green roof planting.

[>>Businesses signed up to ReBoot nature](#)



2015 RegioStars Awards

The closing date for nominations for the 2015 RegioStars awards is 28 February 2015. The awards are open to ESF nominations and aim to highlight original, innovative projects which could be

attractive and inspiring to other regions.

[>>2015 RegioStars Awards](#)



Local Growth in Action newsletter

The Department for Business Innovation and Skills has recently launched the Local Growth in Action newsletter. This newsletter will bring the latest news, announcements and achievements of local growth activities across the country. It will share updates from a wide range of Government and grass-roots programmes that are working toward local growth, and celebrate the achievements of some of the most enterprising local growth initiatives. Please contact localgrowthcomms@bis.gsi.gov.uk to subscribe.

London Enterprise Panel website

The London Enterprise Panel has updated its Question and Answer fact sheet on ERDF and ESF in London 2014-20.

[>>London Enterprise Panel website](#)

Funding for skills development for young people in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly

£3.3 million pounds worth of ESF Convergence is being invested to help upskill almost 2,000 16-18 year olds across Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly. The Skills Support For Young People project, led by the Cornwall College Group is being delivered in partnership with a number of organisations that include; Cornwall Neighbourhoods for Change, Truro and Penwith College, ETS, DMT, GHQ, Focus and the Learning Partnership; supported by Cornwall Council and Careers South West.

[>>Funding for skills development for Cornish young people](#)

Helpful links

[England ESF programme national website](#)

[England ESIF 2014-2020 programme national website](#)

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[Skills Funding Agency Co-financing Organisation \(CFO\)](#)

[Ministry of Justice \(National Offender Management Service CFO\)](#)

[Department for Work and Pensions CFO](#)

[Big Lottery Fund](#)

[Greater London Authority - European Programmes Management Unit - ESF pages](#)

[Inspiring Work: Cornwall and the South West](#)

[TAEN \(The Age and Employment Network\)](#)

[Europa \(European Commission website\) ESF pages](#)

[The National Council for Voluntary Organisations - NCVO](#)

[Gibraltar ESF secretariat website pages](#)

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