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Welcome

In this issue of Update, our weekly round-up of business-critical and useful information to Skills Funding Agency (SFA) colleges, other training organisations and direct grant employers:

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1. Individualised Learner Record R10 2015 to 2016: Opens Tuesday, 24 May

Action

The individualised learner record (ILR) R10 data collection for the 2015 to 2016 funding year opens at **9.00am** on **Tuesday, 24 May**.

The R10 is a mandatory return; you must submit your data to [the Hub](#).

We publish a [maintenance schedule](#), which lists collection dates and proposed system maintenance.

For further information, please refer to the [Payments and Data](#) page of our website on GOV.UK.

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2. Skills Funding Service: New Digital Platform

Information

The skills funding service (SFS) is a new digital platform that allows you to view and accept contracts online, without the need to print and return paper contracts. We have successfully processed our first European Social Fund contract using the SFS.

To agree contracts using the SFS, your staff need to [register as users](#). Your super-user can then allocate a contract authoriser role in the role management system. They must do this before we issue your contract.

Shortly, we will contact colleges and other training organisations about when to access this new service to sign other types of contract.

For further information or related queries, please email [Greta Smalley](#).

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3. FE Choices: Community Learning Learner Satisfaction Survey

Information

The 2015 to 2016 community learning learner satisfaction survey closed on 1 April 2016. Colleges and other training organisations can now access their end-of-survey interim reports on the [Provider Extranet](#).

The interactive report gives organisations information on their satisfaction scores by subject, delivery location and learner characteristics. The reason for taking the course or activity and outcomes after taking the course are also included.

For further information or guidance, please email the [Service Desk](#).

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4. European Social Fund: New Logos

Information


In April 2015, we told you the European Social Fund (ESF) Managing Authority for England had published [new logos](#) and [publicity requirements](#) for the 2014 to 2020 ESF programme. You must use these on your 2015 to 2016 enrolment forms and learner paperwork.

If you have a contract with us to deliver training funded from our apprenticeships or Adult Education Budget for the 2016 to 2017 academic year, you must keep to the [Common Funding Rules](#) (page 15). You must use the new logo on your enrolment forms and learner paperwork.

For further information, please email the [ESF Programme](#) team.

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