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2020 Training: upcoming dates, new content

The UK NARIC 2020 training calendar has details of all confirmed UK NARIC training and events for the first half of the year.

For 2020, we are launching a brand new *In-depth briefing on Indian and Chinese school leaving qualifications*. The session will take place on 14 May in Birmingham and aims to deliver comprehensive, in-depth learning on the education systems of India and China.

Our first half-day training events are in Birmingham on 25 February - *Education in MENA*, and *Education in Hong Kong, Singapore, Vietnam and Thailand*.

New Training Days have been introduced for 2020, with revised, re-focused and extended content. [READ MORE](#)



Vocational education experts and subject specialists needed

UK NARIC is working on initiatives in China with vocational colleges there, and through 2020/2021 we expect to be developing and delivering in China training days and conference workshop sessions on a range of vocational education topics. We also expect to be reviewing a number of sub-degree courses offered by the colleges, including engineering and electrical engineering courses, as well as other subject areas.

We are seeking vocational education experts and subject specialists who are interested in getting involved. [READ MORE](#)

Bespoke and on-site training in the UK and worldwide



Naric North is back: Glasgow, 12 May 2020

Naric North, the UK NARIC one-day conference for Scotland and the North, is back for 2020.

After a successful launch in May 2019, we are returning to the same terrific venue: the University of Strathclyde's *Technology and Innovation Centre*, in the heart of Glasgow, close to transport links. Again, it's a spring date: 12 May.

Naric North was very popular in 2019, with over 150 delegates attending from the UK and overseas. Once again, we expect places to be in demand. [READ MORE](#)

VETASSESS Australia choose UK NARIC as their UK/European partner

VETASSESS, Australia's leading skills assessment provider for migration and national skills recognition, has chosen UK NARIC as their partner in the UK and Europe to help people in this region who would like to move to Australia to apply for a Skills Assessment for Migration. *[Picture below: UK NARIC's Lizzie Hall (centre) with VETASSESS in Melbourne.]*

The new partnership will see UK NARIC supporting UK/European enquiries to VETASSESS for trades and professional skill assessment, through to administrative services in verifying applicants' employment claims. [READ MORE](#)



As well as our scheduled training events throughout the year, UK NARIC offers a completely bespoke training service that can be tailored to the needs of you and your colleagues and team.

We can come to you and deliver training at your own premises or venue (in the UK or worldwide) - a number of member institutions used this service in 2019, and feedback has been excellent. [READ MORE](#)

Free London event on Open Badges

UK NARIC and digital credential specialists DigitalMe are hosting a free, half-day event focusing on Open Badges.

An Insight into Open Badges: Lessons from the ABECS Project takes place on Thursday 20 February from 14:00–16:30 GMT at Europe House, 32 Smith Square, London, SW1P 3EU.

For more information and to book a place, please contact info@europass.org.uk [READ MORE](#)

First enrolments on CIMA qualifications following UK NARIC benchmarking

The first round of enrolments on to CIMA accountancy qualifications following their recent independent benchmarking by UK NARIC to UK, French and South African education systems has now taken place. The CIMA (Chartered Institute of Management Accountants) qualifications were found comparable to: [READ MORE](#)

Record usage for UK NARIC qualifications databases

A record day for usage of UK NARIC's online resources - on 21 January 2020, 2,538 individual users logged into our online databases to check the level of overseas qualifications, grade profiles, and country information. With usage often peaking at the very end of January, it is possible this record may be broken again.

The previous daily record was 2,396 logins, in January 2019. [READ MORE](#)



IELTS reappointed as approved English test provider for UK visas

UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) has announced that IELTS will continue to be accepted for UK visas that require applicants to demonstrate their English proficiency. Following a tender process, IELTS has been reappointed as [READ MORE](#)



Quarterly statistics series: October to December 2019

UK NARIC presents the 19th edition of our quarterly statistics series, covering October to December 2019. This shows movements in numbers of completed UK NARIC individual enquiries, by country. The data are shown after the link. [READ MORE](#)

