



New framework of Qualifications for Trainers

The CIPD has been playing an active part in testing and shaping a new framework of qualifications for Trainers.

Lifelong Learning UK (LLUK) is the Sector Skills Council responsible for the new lifelong learning sector. One of LLUKs biggest and most important initiatives has been the development of a new framework of national qualifications for trainers. The organisation is responsible for the professional development of all those working in its sector those teaching or training in further/higher education, adult and community learning, libraries and information services and work-based (including corporate) learning.

From September 2007, it will be mandatory for any new teacher who teaches a publicly funded provision to complete a new award which will prepare them to teach. The teaching qualifications that have been developed are:

- Level Three and Four Awards in Preparing to teach in the Lifelong Learning Sector (PTLLS)
- Level Three and Four Certificates in Teaching in the Lifelong Learning Sector (CTLLS).

Tests and trials of PTLLS at levels 3 and 4 are continuing across the country. The evaluations of these trials will be used to inform the development of further guidance and best practice around the new qualifications.

“We have yet to see what impact these new national qualifications will have on the CIPD’s own qualification framework” says Caroline Griffiths of Bradfield Consulting Ltd. “It is good to see that CIPD is now looking seriously at qualifications for Trainers, who have, until now, felt somewhat short changed since the old Institute of Training and Development was taken over by what was then the Institute of Personnel Management”.

Bradfield Consulting Ltd has agreed to pilot these programmes on behalf of CIPD when they become available. For more information please contact Caroline@bradfield.co.uk