The Event
Businet Student Conference

The Dates
From 14.00 on Sunday 29 November to 13.00 on Thursday 03 December, 2020

Location of Accommodation
We will use two hotels. Both are centrally located and near the conference venues. The Old Waverley Hotel will be one hotel. The other will be announced at a later date.

Location of Activities
- The Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh
- Royal Society of Edinburgh
- A location to be arranged for the experiential learning exercise

Who is it for?
Level 5 students (EQF) studying any discipline.

Cost
€320 Which includes
- 4 nights in a centrally located 3-star hotel (Sunday to Thursday) on a shared room basis. Single rooms are available at a supplement.
- breakfast
- one evening meal, plus a subsidy towards a meal with working group members
- visit to Edinburgh castle (optional)

It does not include
Travel to Edinburgh
Any visas required by non EU / EEA students

Travel and visas are the responsibility of the individual

Two weeks ago I was attending the Businet Student conference - Thinking Employability in Edinburgh. I intentionally waited a while to post something about this event because I wanted to take the time to reflect on everything I experienced.

I have learned a lot from all the lectures, that I can apply to my professional life and that will have a positive influence on my personal life. It was a fabulous opportunity to meet kind and talented people from all around Europe!

In education and life it’s not all about what you have to do, but why you have to do it and what you can learn from it. That’s the main idea I took home with me.

It was honestly one of the best experiences I’ve had in life so far. I never thought I would have met so many different people from different walks of life! I’ve made tons of friends and I’ve already planned to meet up with them in Belgium during Easter thanks to businet.

It was so cool and useful, now I have new friends from other countries and my English is improved. I’m so proud and I would to do it again.

Student quotes from 2018...
STUDENT INFORMATION

Businet has hosted a student conference annually for more than 20 years. The student event is designed to enable you to interact with new people, from different cultural backgrounds, to work and socialise together in the beautiful city of Edinburgh. The concept of bringing students from different countries and institutes together to network and learn has been one that Businet has championed since 1997. In 2017 a review of the venue and programme led to the further evolution of the event.

The “Thinking Employment” event 2019 features a programme that will:

- identify and explore Employability Skills
- encourage Reflective Thinking
- provide the opportunity to sample Experiential Learning*
- introduce the concept of Emotional Intelligence
- assist students to identify and develop skills and self-awareness through reflection.

*Experiential learning is the process of learning through experience and is more specifically defined as “learning through reflection.”

The programme will be delivered by members of industry and by academics in the disciplines that underpin the conference aims. In Edinburgh the conference events will be held in centrally located, prestigious venues.

A dedicated App will be made available before the conference to help delegates get maximum benefit from the event and to assist with communication between delegates. You will be required to have a Facebook account prior to and during the event.

There are 110 places available. Before 30 September there will be a maximum of 5 home students per institute, plus up to 5 “guest” students from outside of the home country, currently studying at your institute. If places are still available at 30 September the allocation of places will increase.

I learned many useful things for my career and it was a great experience for me personally, because it also challenged me to leave my comfort zone. Thank you for this.

Student quotes from 2018...

Thank you for making this conference come true and having so much passion and enthusiasm for the topics. You shared some vital knowledge with us and showed sincere concern about our future professional life and made a huge effort to ensure it will be bright if we are thoughtful enough to absorb the meaning behind it.

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