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Learning and Work Institute/Joseph Rowntree Foundation Digital Skills Policy Event

Date: Thursday 8th December

Time: 11.00 am - 14.30 p.m.

Venue: Joseph Rowntree Foundation, 5th floor, 89 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7TN

We wish to invite you to our invitation only Digital Skills Policy Event, organised by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation and Learning and Work Institute in London on 8th December 2016. The event will bring together key stakeholders to discuss government plans to make training in basic digital skills free for adults in England who lack relevant qualifications.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/government-plans-to-make-the-uk-one-of-the-most-digitally-skilled-nations>

The proposal was included in an amendment to the Digital Economy Bill to approve changes to the Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009 (ASCL) so that “a specified qualification in making use of information technology” is added alongside literacy, numeracy as a level 2 vocational qualification. Wording has also been added to the ASCL Act which allows the Secretary of State to determine which qualifications are included. The proposal is progressing through the remaining stages, including submission to the House of Lords. The government will consult on the details of this new offer in the coming months.

Joseph Rowntree Foundation and Learning and Work Institute are keen to ensure that that digital skills training maximises the chances of people most at risk of poverty and meets their needs. This event will discuss opportunities, approaches, barriers and issues to achieving this goal, identifying evidence and developing recommendations for submission to the Government’s forthcoming consultation.

We do hope you can join us

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