



Q01: Annual Conference – ‘Venture Out’

Date Monday 25 to Wednesday 27 September 2023

Venue ACC King’s Dock, Liverpool L3 4FP

Cost IAPS member heads £649 (full partners £649, social guests £95)
(cost inclusive of all applicable taxes)

IAPS Chair Andrew Nott notes, "This is our annual opportunity to enjoy the fellowship of colleagues, to be inspired and educated by speakers and to build new connections in our sector."

William Goldsmith, Conference Director, and Head at St George's Windsor, adds, "The theme, 'Venture Out', is particularly salient as we grapple with the opportunities and challenges of the next two to three years. A meeting of minds between the fellowship of IAPS Heads has never been more important. With so much to gain clarity on, I hope we can come together with the aim to venture out with purpose and confidence as we lead our schools and sector through the next few years."

This will also be a chance for everyone to meet and hear from our new CEO, Dominic Norrish, who joins IAPS in the summer. Dominic adds, "I am enormously pleased to be joining hundreds of IAPS Heads at the Liverpool conference and look forward to meeting as many of you as possible. I am determined that the Association continues to develop in the service of its members, and your views on any aspect of its work are very welcome".

Audience IAPS Member Heads

Course Director William Goldsmith, Head at St George’s Windsor

Presenters Julie Robinson, ISC CEO
David Woodgate, ISBA Chief Executive
Sarah Horrocks, Digital Learning Consultant
The Scary Guy
James Garside, Partner at VWV Law Firm
Paul Main, Founder at Structural Learning
Vanessa Ward, ISI Chief Executive
Julia Martin, ISEB CEO
Katie Paynter, Head of EYFS and Pre-prep at Lochinver House School
David Walker, Director at BSA
Fatima Zaman, Kofi Annan Foundation
Ben Edmonds, Principal Engineer at Dyson
Professor Ger Graus, Global Education Adviser

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Monday 25 September 2023	
1000	Registration, refreshments, and exhibition
1115	New members' welcome
1200	Lunch and exhibition
1300	Conference welcome - <i>Andrew Nott, IAPS Chair</i>
1320	Welcome to new IAPS CEO and CEO address - <i>Dominic Norrish, IAPS CEO</i>
1345	What is the political and financial outlook? How can the sector help itself? - <i>Julie Robinson, ISC CEO and David Woodgate, ISBA Chief Executive</i>
1435	Refreshments and exhibition
1530	Digital strategy and transformation - <i>Sarah Horrocks, Digital Learning Consultant</i>
1615	District meetings
tbc	Optional evening at The Cavern Club

Tuesday 26 September 2023			
0800	Morning prayers – <i>Reverend Jonathan Coore, Chaplain at St George's Windsor</i>		
0830	AGM		
0915	Taking responsibility to change the world - <i>The Scary Guy</i>		
1100	Refreshments and exhibition		
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1230	Lunch and exhibition		
1340	Artificial intelligence: being prepared for the near future – predictions, ethics and planning <i>Sarah Horrocks, Digital Learning Consultant</i>		
1435	Seminar session 2: repeat of seminar session 1		
1520	Refreshments and exhibition		
1600	International Mindedness: education for social responsibility - <i>Fatima Zaman, Kofi Annan Foundation</i>		
1900	Conference dinner – Liverpool Cathedral		

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Wednesday 27 September 2023

0830	Morning prayers – <i>Reverend Jonathan Coore, Chaplain at St George’s Windsor</i>
0900	Innovating for the future - <i>Ben Edmonds, Principal Engineer at Dyson</i>
1100	Refreshments and exhibition
1140	“Whatever the question, education is always the answer” - <i>Professor Ger Graus, Global Education Adviser</i>
1240	Closing remarks and conference closes - <i>William Goldsmith, Head at St George’s Windsor</i>

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