



To: Responsible Officers

## **Qualifications Wales Regulatory Welsh-medium and Bilingual Qualification Policy**

Thank you to those of you who attended our Awarding Body Forum on 13 December 2016 and contributed to the discussion about our priorities. You will have seen that we've published the second version of the Regulatory Welsh-medium and Bilingual Qualification Policy. In it we describe our agreed priorities up until May 2017, which are:

*a) To identify and establish a group of awarding bodies that we can consult with as we further develop specific actions in relation to Welsh-medium and bilingual qualifications.*

*b) Through this group, consider the viability of creating a system which can match awarding bodies with external verifiers / external quality assurers who are able to verify through the medium of Welsh.*

We would like to invite you to be part of the group referred to in priority a) above. We will contact the members of the group on an ad hoc basis in order to test policy developments. It is envisaged that this will generally be done via email but webinars, telephone conferences and face-to-face meetings may sometimes be needed.

The first development that we'd like to test will be b) above; the creation of a system which can match awarding bodies with external verifiers / external quality assurers who are able to verify through the medium of Welsh. As discussed at the Awarding Body Forum, one possible way of doing this is through LinkedIn, which we would like to explore further with you.

Please let me know if your awarding body would like to be represented on this group, by no later than 8 May 2017, confirming the contact details of the representative. You may send these details to [policy@qualificationswales.org](mailto:policy@qualificationswales.org).

Yours faithfully

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