

Learning in the Workplace 1995

ASET Annual Conference

York 3 - 4 April 1995

Following the successful conference earlier this year at which more than 140 delegates attended, ASET is organising another major conference next year aimed at HE placement tutors and sandwich course providers. The two day conference 'Learning in the Workplace 1995' is being held at the University of York, 3 - 4 April 1995. The conference will provide an opportunity for those involved in sandwich course education and training to share experience on many aspects connected with work based learning in higher education. The workshop format will mean some 24 sessions are being offered many of which are deliberately intended to facilitate group discussions of specific issues. Others will have a strong staff development/enhancement element and the

conference will be of interest to those new to sandwich education as well as to those who have been involved for many years. Among the sessions offered are: preparation for audit; assessment; the future of work based learning; European placements and LEONARDO; student grants and Schedule 5; software support; preparation of students and debriefing and accreditation and certification.

The conference fee of £175 covers bed, breakfast and all meals including conference dinner. Delegates from institutions which are corporate members of ASET qualify for a £10 reduction on conference fees. The full conference brochure will be circulated in January 1995.

A South London Man in Lubeck - carries off the title

At the award ceremony at Coopers and Lybrand in Birmingham Yousuf, together with his tutor Graham Smith, right, after being presented with his prize by Brian Hyde on behalf of ASET



Yousuf Khan an electronic engineering student at the University of Greenwich won first prize in the 1993 ASET Essay Competition. His essay entitled 'A South London Man in Lubeck - A German Industrial Experience' came ahead of 77 entrants in the competition and winning for the author £500 together with an engraved rose-bowl.

For his placement year Yousuf worked at Dragerwerk a company producing medical technology products and after initial reservations he writes:

"After 11 months, I was confident, I knew everyone. The TAB story was over. I had shown it wasn't possible because we didn't have the production volume. But I'd started off a new project of my own. ASICs

(Application Specific Integrated Circuits). And I'd done a feasibility analysis on one offered to us by a German firm. I stayed rather late one night - until 4.00 am - finishing my calculations. The results threw my mind into shock. I had to be dreaming. I had found a way to assemble a circuit board for half the price. I felt very happy that morning as I walked out of the building into the rain. I felt I'd made my mark with this firm. They might even offer me a job. I would be able to continue with this work by doing it as my final year project. I threw up my arms in triumph.. only to find the gates locked".

Runners-up were: Ann Mitchell (Dundee Institute of Technology; Rank Xerox, Brussels) Carl Goodwin (University of Aston; ZCEL, Barry, South Wales)

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