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## 2020 training calendar now online; new Training Days launched - first dates in London, 10-12 March

The UK NARIC 2020 training calendar is now published, and has details of all confirmed UK NARIC training and events for the first half of next year.

New Training Days are being introduced for 2020, with revised, re-focused and extended content. More time is being built in to all our one-day programmes for practical exercises and activities.

The first Training Days are in London: on 10 March, *An introduction to international student admissions*; on 11 March, *Building your expertise in international student admissions*; on 12 March, *Fakes, forgeries and fraud*.

There are summer dates in Manchester: *An introduction to international student admissions* and *Building your expertise in international student admissions* on 2 and 3 June. [READ MORE](#)



## Pre-register and reserve your place for UKNARIC2020, QEII, 3+4 November

The dates and venue for the 24th UK NARIC annual conference have been confirmed. UKNARIC2020 is on Tuesday 3 and Wednesday 4 November 2020.

Following excellent 2019 delegate feedback, we are delighted to announce a return to the QEII Centre in Westminster, London.

You can pre-register for conference to guarantee your place and places for colleagues. Email [conference@naric.org.uk](mailto:conference@naric.org.uk) and tell us how many places you require. [READ MORE](#)



## Season's greetings and holiday deadlines

Season's greetings to all our members, colleagues and readers.

Thursday 19 December at 5pm GMT is the deadline for 48-hour member enquiries to be completed by Christmas. Any 48-hour member enquiries submitted after this may not be answered until 2020. The phone lines for individuals and members close at 5pm GMT on Thursday 19 December for the Christmas break.

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## GETS Higher English language test benchmarked to the CEFR

UK NARIC have independently evaluated the GETS Higher English language test against the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR) and found it comparable to:

- At least CEFR B2 standard where a minimum score of 75/100 is achieved
- CEFR B1 standard where a minimum score of 50/100 is achieved
- CEFR A2 where a minimum score of 25/100 is achieved. [READ MORE](#)

## Partnership opportunities: first China colleges become UK NARIC members

Vocational colleges in China are actively seeking international partnerships and top-up progression opportunities. To advance these efforts, they are joining UK NARIC's new UK-China Council.

UK NARIC is working with the biggest alliance of colleges in China, CSTVE, to reach out to 1300 institutions across the country, all offering sub-degree vocational qualifications across a wide range of subjects. Internationalisation is a top priority, especially for the top tier of 200 colleges, and the Chinese government is supporting partnership initiatives. To find out more, email [Charles Deliu](mailto:Charles.Deliu@naric.org.uk) of UK NARIC's Global Connect team. [READ MORE](#)



## Fabrizio Trifiro joins UK NARIC

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One of the UK's most respected experts on Transnational Education (TNE), Dr Fabrizio Trifiro [*pictured left*], has joined UK NARIC as Head of Quality Benchmark Services. Formerly International Manager at the QAA, Fabrizio has 11 years' experience of developing TNE review mechanisms, [READ MORE](#)

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