

SIP Cambridge

Driving a local approach to skills and supporting you to find the right training to develop your workforce



SIP Cambridge is a regional Skills Group for employers in the science based-sector

It is part of the wider Science Industry Partnership which is a powerful alliance that is leading on the skills needed to generate innovation and growth in the sector

Members are driving a local approach to addressing skills challenges, growing the skills pipeline and developing specialist training provision

Membership also means access to the Science Industry Apprenticeship Consortium which sources quality, off-the-job apprenticeship training based on the common needs of members

About the Group

SIP Cambridge members meet every three months. Through this network you will gain direct insights into what others are doing and the benefits they are gaining from their approach to skills, as well as keeping up-to-date with skills funding and policy.

SIP Cambridge sees employers in the region working together on addressing both science and non-science skills needs as well as addressing specialist skills shortages which are arising in line with advances in technology.

About the meetings

There is a clear connection to the Science Industry Partnership's national strategy and Operational Plans. Meetings include participation from:

- Employers from the Science Industries in the East Anglia area
- Invited partners and stakeholders with appropriate skills programmes for the Science Industries in the region, for example the Combined Authority, Department for Education (DfE) and the Institute of Apprenticeships and Technical Education (IfATE)
- The Science Industry Partnership team who provide the facilitate for SIP Regional Meetings

Membership of SIP Cambridge also provides discounted access to the SIP Ambassador Programme, the SIP's network of industry professionals who engage, inspire and enthuse young people into careers within the science based industries.

About the Science Industry Apprenticeship Consortium (SIAC)

Membership of SIP Cambridge provides access to SIAC, which facilitates the recruitment of cohorts of learners who are all training together on industry-developed Apprenticeship Standards, including for example:

- Clinical Trials Specialist
- Regulatory Affairs Specialist
- Science Industry Maintenance Technician
- Bioinformatics Scientist
- Data Scientist
- Digital and Technology Solutions Specialist

Members can be confident that their apprentices are all being trained to a national standard, which results in a highly respected apprenticeship award and proof of competence in an occupation. The standards also deliver a set of expected behaviours needed for the highly regulated environment in which members operate.



Benefits

- Quarterly skills networking meetings to share best practice and new thinking
- Influencing core and specialist skills delivery in your area so that it fits with your business needs
- Collaboration to establish/enhance local apprenticeship delivery through SIAC
- Involvement in Apprenticeship Standards development
- Partnering in collaborative bids to support local skills development
- Understanding how Apprenticeships might enhance the talent pipeline
- Quarterly Skills and Policy Updates
- Regular Member Technical Webinars
- SIP website including member materials
- Access to SIP Ambassador discounted training



AstraZeneca Supporting SIP Cambridge

SIP Cambridge is the first regional group of its type to spin out from the national Science Industry Partnership. Jacqui Hall, Chair SIP Cambridge and Vice President, AstraZeneca, based in Cambridge, said:

“From our very first meeting we successfully demonstrated that there is a great need to nurture the capabilities and skills required for a science-based workforce and to ensure clear pathways into these roles for young people.

“Developing the skills of the future STEM workforce will be the core focus of SIP Cambridge. Although many companies, including AstraZeneca, already have established STEM programmes, there is an urgency to expand this work to ensure we future-proof our thriving sector – a sector which is central to the continued economic success of the Cambridgeshire region.”



Fees

Size of Company	Fee
Over 250 employees	£2,500 + vat
Under 250 employees	£1,000 + vat



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