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Session Synopsis

Industrial Revolution 4.0 has college leaders rising to the challenge of ensuring a future proof curriculum, and staff and students equipped with the digital know-how to thrive in this time of massive and rapid technological change. But big change causes stress - so how to minimise that impact and take people with you? This session provides practical, award winning tips on how TEC Partnership reduced workloads, increased efficiencies and engaged a workforce and community of students through technology.

Speaker Profiles

Deborah has thirty years' experience working mostly in teaching roles within further and higher education. Since 2012 she transitioned into management roles focusing on technology-enhanced learning and digital skills acquisition. She is currently Group Executive Director for Digital Learning Technology at the TEC Partnership. Passionate about educational excellence, she is responsible for providing staff and students with an outstanding teaching and learning experience, enriched through the creative use of digital technologies. With a background in creative communication, Deborah has studied and practised as a design professional and has written and lead the graphic design, advertising and visual communication courses at FE and HE levels. Further to this, she has been a course consultant and external verifier for design schools in Malaysia, Indonesia and China. Her specialist interests lie in encouraging collaborative practice, personal development and creative thinking. Throughout her career, Deborah has forged successful collaborations with internal, external and international stakeholders. Her internationally recognised model of digital pedagogy, the LearningWheel (www.learningwheel.co.uk) demonstrates her proven track record for partnership working, sharing best practice and knowledge exchange via crowdsourcing.

Tony Whelton is Director of IT Services at Wellington College. Having gained over 30 years' experience working within the IT industry working within numerous industries and with the past 11 years at Wellington College. Tony has a motto of "It's never OK to be OK" and is always technologically focused to always push the limitations of what is achievable and to go beyond the expected.

Steve Beswick is responsible for developing solutions in the Education market for the Microsoft hardware products including all Surface devices (Surface Pro, Surface Studio, Surface Laptop and Surface Hub, Surface Go) and HoloLens. He works directly



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for the Worldwide education team based at WW HQ Seattle, however, he is based in the UK. His responsibilities also extend to Europe. Currently he is developing solutions for collaborative environments in universities and looking at different business models for selling devices to students at universities. More and more schools and universities are looking at the importance of digital inking with Microsoft OneNote in combination with Office 365/Teams and Surface devices to drive change and enhance teaching and learning outcomes. Steve has worked at Microsoft for 25 years. All of this based in the UK. He moved to his current position from running the UK Education business Steve is married to Naomi and has 2 Children, Hattie 28 and Billy 23 plus Leon his 17 -month-old Grandson! Outside of Working Steve enjoys playing Golf, fishing and watching all sports.