

DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION AND SKILLS

Higher Education Research Forum

Meeting on 12 January 2004

- The first meeting of the Research Forum was held on 12 January, 2004. Membership is now complete and the full list is available on this website.
- The Forum discussed the Terms of Reference as set out in the joint Ministerial letter to all Vice-Chancellors and Principals of English Higher Education Institutions of 24 November and agreed a forward schedule of meetings.
- The meeting received an update from the Higher Education Funding Council for England on the funding bodies' planning for the next Research Assessment Exercise, on which a further announcement is expected in February. The Forum took the view that an early announcement on the RAE was desirable.
- The Forum had a preliminary discussion of the relationship between teaching and research and invited a sub-group to produce a discussion paper for consideration at the next meeting on 9 February.
- Further updates of the work of the Forum will be posted on this website in due course.