

For the Attention of Aerospace Wales Members

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Funding for Degree Apprenticeships and Training in Wales

Members are reminded that 100% funding is currently available for Engineering and IT Degree Apprenticeships in Wales starting this September.

That means if you have a promising member of staff (or new recruit) with the right grades, the employee (and your company) can benefit from a **FULLY FUNDED ENGINEERING DEGREE** (worth over £27,000) from a university in Wales.

The degree apprenticeship programmes are similar to the old 'time served' apprenticeships and take up to five years to complete – attending studies one day a week. Employees can be ANY AGE - but must have relevant A-levels, work experience or a BTEC/EAL level 3 diploma - and will need to be fully employed by the company for the duration. ILS can advise on contract types, salary, job descriptions and help with recruitment if needed.

We anticipate a reduction in adult skills funding later this year so if you are planning to recruit or upskill staff on an apprenticeship or government funded initiative, then we recommend contacting your local provider (or ILS) to ensure they ring-fence enough funding to support your ongoing recruitment and training needs in Wales.

Apprenticeships are a great way to invest in your future talent. For independent guidance on your specific company training needs, **book a free Skills Clinic** before Friday 15th March with our Skills Ambassador **Viv Compton** at viv@ilswales.com.

