

16th April 2019

**WEEKLY  
UPDATE**

**GTA England**



### New GTA England weekly updates

We are trialling a weekly bulletins in an attempt to reduce the amount of emails you receive and increase the number of registrations on our events. All part of our emerging Communication Strategy - let us know what you think!

## Data Benchmarking Service

Have you returned your signed Data Sharing Agreement?

Don't miss out -the deadline for GTAs not involved in the pilot is this week - 19th April 2019 - return to [Stephanie.whalley@gtaengland.co.uk](mailto:Stephanie.whalley@gtaengland.co.uk)

[Link to Data Sharing agreement](#)

Pilot providers will be testing the system after Easter and we want to be in a position to go live with the full network within a few weeks- hence the need to get all agreements in by the end of this week.

**Important** - Access to in-year performance and benchmarking data will be exclusive **only** to GTA England members who have signed up to the service via the data sharing agreement. Just to remind you - data will be confidential to individual members and not shared with third parties. The outputs will be visual, easy to use and understand and will help members to benchmark their performance and plan future activities. It's also an opportunity to save time by minimising the number of data requests that are made of you by GTA England.

Further information is available on the [GTA England website - in the Members area Members resources - Library - RCU folder.](#)

*If you have any questions please get in touch.*

## EPA update

Thank you for your responses to date. Following Members Day we have now had 90% of members with provision in the appropriate occupational footprint sign up to developing the EPA arrangements discussed (with the remainder consulting internally to decide):

- MOET; Engineering Fitter; Engineering Operative; and Metal Fabrication with C&G
- Engineering Technician with the IMechE and EAL

This has also identified some 90 staff requiring training to become involved in operating EPA under licence to our partners, "for members, by members".

The more immediate current actions include:

- We continue to work with C&G to develop a pilot for MOET involving Gen2 and HETA for this Summer.
- Additionally, person specifications and draft EPA contracting documentation has been shared with a sample of members for review. This is to ensure that they meet needs and, importantly, respond to issues identified at Members Day (avoiding local conflicts of interest and so on)
- Consider the best forms of briefings for members and staff with roll-out this Summer
- We have a number of Apprentices undertaking Engineering Technician who require EPA during 2019 to put the IMechE/ EAL process into place.

*If you'd like to be involved in the above please just let us know.*

## GTA England Business Development Programme

Change in apprenticeships has been matched by changes in the GTA network. New CEO's and new members of staff benefit from effective networking and sharing experience. The GTA England business development workshop was delivered in March to great effect. Attended by 8 members, feedback achieved 100% excellent or good with excellent standing at 90%. Networking was enhanced by sharing experience about funding and commercial income, structures within sales and marketing, the health of the customer base, what is going well, along with opportunities and clarifying the GTA USP and competitive advantage. Many aspects of follow up action were agreed including the importance of establishing a social media marketing topic group. All attendees and indicated interested parties will benefit from further activity. The next phase of business development will focus on operations set for the 21st May 2019. If you would like further information and/or would like to get involved in this activity, please register via this link or by contacting Lee Weatherly. [Link to next workshop.](#)

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## GTA England -Training Events & Webinars



Date/Time	Mode	Venue	Title	To register click on link
May 2019	1:1 Support		RoATP Review sessions with Rebecca Rhodes	
21st May 2019 10.00 - 4.00	Workshop	JTL TBC	GTA England Business Development Programme	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/gta-england-14048637867">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/gta-england-14048637867</a>
6th June 2019 10.00 –11.30	Webinar	Online	Off the job training 20%	<a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5704717522835374860">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5704717522835374860</a>
13th June 2019 Timings TBC	Event	TBC	T Level Consultation	<a href="https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/gta-england-14048637867">https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/gta-england-14048637867</a>



Members - If you have any problems registering on to any Event or Webinar or finding any documents please contact [Lesley.Powles@gtaengland.co.uk](mailto:Lesley.Powles@gtaengland.co.uk)

Please visit the GTA England website to view the full GTA England Event Calendar