

ILR the Context and Changes for 2012/13

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Summary

- Overview and context
- 2012/13 ILR changes
- Implications for 2013/14 ILR

Overview

- Simplification of funding
- Reducing the data burden
- Making the case for MI



Context

- Political environment – Simplification of funding
- Operational environment – Funding and Audit
- Technical environment – Data and MI platforms

The 2011/12 ILR Specification

- The 2011/12 ILR specification for the first time brought together four data collection specifications to support:
 - Learner Responsive Funding
 - Employer Responsive Funding
 - Adult Safeguarded Learning
 - European Social Funding
- The ILR timetable was rationalised to take advantage of the single return and reduce the number of returns from 35 to 14



Reducing the data burden

2012/13 ILR Change Process

- Shift from technical change to policy-led change
- Policy implementation deferred to 2013/14
- Field rationalisation
- 2012/13 change requests

Simplification

ILR Changes 2012/13

Background (1)

- *The information authority* board met on 28 September to consider requests for change to the ILR specification for 2012/13
- These slides outline the changes approved by the board at this meeting from the 34 change requests received

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Background (2)

- These changes will be incorporated into the ILR specification for 2012/13
- There may be additional changes to the ILR specification for 2012/13 to implement late changes essential to funding in 2012/13. Such changes will be considered by *the information authority* board in December 2011 as part of a late change process

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Fields to be Removed or Added

Fields to be removed

- Provider number (UPIN). For 2012/13 the UKPRN will be the only provider identifier returned in the ILR
- Planned group based hours and Planned one to one hours (Learning Delivery entity)

Fields to be added

- New field to collect details of the apprenticeship pathway being undertaken (Learning Delivery entity)

ILR 2012/13 Other Changes (1)

- There will be no flat file ILR specification for 2012/13 and no conversion facility available in the LIS. All ILR returns for 2012/13 must conform to the single ILR specification and be prepared in XML format. There will be amalgamation functionality
- Collect ILR for non-funded apprenticeships in private training providers/NES employers. Mandatory for providers where non-funded apprenticeships are delivered as part of a NAS contract. Optional for other private training providers

ILR 2012/13 Other Changes (2)

- Reason for withdrawal – new code to record transfers of learners to support government strategy such as increasing apprenticeship numbers
- Change to ULN validation - reduction in minimum duration of learning aim to ten days (further reduction to five days in 2013/14) and enforcement for all SFA/YPLA funded learners except ASL
- Record the UKPRN of the provider delivering sub-contracted provision where delivery is sub-contracted more than once

ILR 2012/13 HE Data Collection Changes

- Subject to approval for inclusion in the HESA Student record (to be confirmed in December 2011) the following changes will be made to HE data fields:
 - Identify pre- and post-2012 fee regimes
 - Collect details of actual fee levels
 - New funding and monitoring codes to:
 - Identify highly-qualified candidates
 - Monitor delivery of the national Scholarship programme

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Possible Late Funding Changes

- Any changes essential to funding in 2012/13 will be considered by *the information authority* board at December board meeting

Changes for 2012/13

Further Work Since Board

- Reviewed data collected about employment status of learners
- Investigated use of Employer role field and possible removal
- Reviewed data requirements for “other funded” and “non-funded provision”

Changes for 2012/13 Specification

- Publish by 30 November 2011
- Publish amended version by 31 January 2012 reflecting:
 - HE changes
 - late changes essential to funding

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Changes deferred to 2013/14

For 2013/14

- Possible implementation of unique aim identifier (permanent sequence number)
- Review of LLDD categories
- Possibly introduce a contract identifier

Implications for the 2013/14 ILR Change Process

- Need for process redesign
- Simplify data model
- Focus on information



Further information

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For the single ILR specification, data model and mapping document:

http://www.theia.org.uk/ilr/ilrdocuments/201112_ilrdetail.htm

Further information on the enhancements to data collection systems:

http://www.thedataservice.org.uk/News/enhancements_dc_systems