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Making the Best of Valuable Engineering Talent

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Synopsis

Making the Best of Valuable Talent - for individuals, industry, professional and educational bodies - all are vital for future wealth creation. Finding ways to realise the potential of that talent, in a world in which knowledge and technology change faster than ever before, is a challenge that has to be met.

The "Hawley Group" worked on this challenge over two years, directing their research towards the wider engineering and technology community, - covering new technology companies, the engineering institutions, academic bodies; trade associations and many others. The result is an approach that embraces the needs of the wider community rather than simply focussing on the engineering profession. The approach is a step-change that will add value by:

- Helping to link the skills and know-how of the "old" and "new" economy
- Identifying the skills that industry will require in future
- Improving the links between business and universities
- Helping individuals and industry to keep pace with changing knowledge

As a result of this work, a new "Engineering and Technology Board" has been created which provides an opportunity for the engineering sector to remain in the forefront of global wealth creation.

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