

## EDI supports VQ Day

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Over 17 million people (38%) in the UK hold a vocational qualification. This fact, and others, will be celebrated on **23 July 2008** with a national event in London and regional events around the country to showcase the diversity of vocational success. VQ Day will be an official celebration of the people who gain vocational qualifications every year, and the people who help them achieve this success. It will help raise the profile, and communicate the value, of vocational qualifications to future students, potential employers and the wider public. VQ Day will also see the publication of a report into the vocational qualifications landscape, which aims to be the first vocational “census”.

Over 30 events are planned around the country to celebrate vocational success, ranging from VQ open days to awards ceremonies. The biggest event will be held at the Royal Opera House in London, which will be hosted by singer and Strictly Come Dancing winner Alesha Dixon, whose qualification helped lead to her success.

A special website, [www.vqday.org](http://www.vqday.org), has been set up to provide information about the day and how everyone involved in vocational qualifications can take part.

A roll call of vocational success has been established on the website, and so far over 500 vocational learners past and present have signed up. Voting continues for celebrity VQ heroes who embody vocational success.

Training providers can download an action pack in order for them to hold their own VQ Day celebrations.

EDI is committed to helping to make the first VQ Day a huge success.



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