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FOR THE WEST MIDLANDS



Government Office for the West Midlands

# INNOVATION AND TRANSNATIONAL ACTIVITY

## WEST MIDLANDS REGION



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# WORKING GROUP

- The Government Office set up a 'working group' made up of Regional partners to select the innovation themes.
- The group was chaired by the Secretariat and represented:-
  - The HE/FE Sector
  - CFOs (DWP, LSC)
  - The RDA
  - The LGA
  - Regional Assembly
  - Feedback received via other regional partnerships



# Selection of Themes

- Three Themes selected, to cover both Priorities.
- Selection based on Regional Framework and existing regional priorities
- Regional contexts produced by partners.
- No funding limits for each theme
- Themes approved by Regional Committee.



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# THEMES SELECTED

## Priority 1

- Active Inclusion
- Engaging with Employers

## Priority 2

- Engaging with Employers
- New Challenges – Skills for Climate Change and Sustainable Development



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# ESF FUNDING

## Priority 1

- £1,996,703

## Priority 2

- £1,094,966



# Partnership Working

- Regional Assembly and Regional Development Agency organised workshops to identify and share potential project ideas and encourage partnership working
- **11 November** – Skills for Climate Change and Sustainable Development
- **12 November** – Engaging with Employers
- **13 November** – Active Inclusion