Introduction

The **Train to Retain** scheme continues to support the retention of essential skills in the industry by providing grants for professional development activities for apprentices, graduates and trainees that meet the qualifying criteria set out below. These development activities will support the continuation of learning and will be carried out when individuals are not working on their normal activities.

In-scope employers can apply for funding to commence on 29th March from 15th February until 5th March and funding decisions in principle will be awarded by 9th March. This round of the scheme will run until December 2021. The ECITB Board will review the operation of the scheme on a regular basis and consider any changes that may be necessary. This includes the possibility of extending the scheme beyond December 2021.

Employer and contact details

Employername Required
Contact name Required
Position Required
Contact telephone number Required
Email address Required

Scheme evaluation

The ECITB Train to Retain scheme will be subject to evaluation processes to enable us to continuously improve the mechanisms through which we provide support to employers.

Employers accessing the scheme agree to participate in evaluation processes. These will include providing data on the apprentices, graduates and trainees at phase 2 (location, demographic data, occupational speciality etc.) and taking part in follow-up interviews with ECITB staff.

To evaluate the success of the scheme, the ECITB will conduct follow-up interviews with employers after 6 months and 1 year after the support has been accessed. We will request the employment status of the individuals benefitting from the scheme and will also ask individuals to complete a survey on how the training and development they received benefitted them. If, at these points in time, the individuals are no longer in your employment, we may also wish to follow-up with the individuals that participate on the scheme to enquire about their employment status. The ECITB may also decide to conduct a small-scale survey once the scheme concludes.

All data provided for monitoring and evaluation purposes will be handled in strict accordance with GDPR regulations and will be anonymised for analysis and reporting purposes.

Please check the following box to say you understand the above and by applying for the scheme, agree to participate in evaluation process

I understand and agree to participate in the evaluation process

Extended funding

Does your company wish to apply for extended funding for an individual? (If 'no' skip to the trainee application page.)

Companies can apply for up to an additional 120 days of funding for individuals who have an approved development plan in place and as at 29th March are within 30 days of utilising all their approved days. Please note regular reviews on the demand for extended funding will take place as required.

	Yes	No					
lease li Idividua	ist the names of the	individual(s) and	the number	r of additional	l days required	for each	

Trainees

Does your company wish to apply for Train to Retain support for trainees? (If 'no' skip to the apprentice application page.)				
Yes No				
Do the trainees meet the following criteria? (please tick)				
Currently training or recently qualified in one of the following engineering and related disciplines: aeronautical, aerospace, civil, chemical, construction, electrical, environmental, design & draughting, instrumentation and control, marine, mechanical (includes piping), mechanical manufacturing, NDT (non-destructive testing), plating, pipefitting, process, process technical safety, petroleum, project controls, project management, rigging, structural (including structural architect), thermal insulation and welding.				
and the following? (please tick one)				
Within the first 3 years of a formal entry level/early careers programme, delivered in one of the qualifying disciplines and employed prior to 31 December 2020				
If you are unsure whether your trainees meet the criteria, please tick this box				
Please give details below if the 'unsure' box was ticked Will the continuation of learning for these trainees be at risk without Train to Retain support?				
Yes No				
Total number of eligible trainees				
Estimate the maximum number of days support required in total for all these trainees (a maximum of 120 days for each trainee)				
Give a brief overview of the main development activities planned for these trainees to receive through Train to Retain. (If your stage one application is successful, this plan will be further developed at stage two of the application process with your account manager.)				

Apprentices

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	Yes		No			
Do the	apprentices mee	t the follow	ing criteria? (plea	ase tick)		
	in one of the installation, e maintenance,	following dia lectrical ma instrument nermal insul	sciplines: Plating, intenance, mecha ation and control lation, NDT (non-	I currently training or recently qualified pipefitting, welding, rigging, electrical anical fitting, mechanical project controls, design and destructive testing), civil engineering		
and one	e of the following	**				
	Not in full time	e off-the-job	training			
	Due to complete their full time off-the-job training between February and April 2021					
	Completed th	eir apprent	ceship between	September 2020 and February 2021		
	If you are unsure whether your apprentices meet the criteria, please tick this box					
Please	give details belo	w if the 'un	sure' box was tic	ked		
Will the	continuation of I	earning for	these apprentice	es be at risk without Train to Retain support?		
	Yes		No			
Total nu	umber of eligible	apprentice	S			
	re the maximum of 120 days fo			uired in total for all these apprentices (a		
through	Train to Retain.	(If your sta	ge one application	rities planned for these apprentices to receive on is successful, this plan will be further rith your account manager.)		

Graduates

Does your company wish to apply for Train to Retain support for graduates? (If 'no' skip to the supplementary information page.) Required
Yes No
Do the graduates meet the following criteria? (please tick)
Currently training or recently qualified in one of the following engineering and related disciplines: aeronautical, aerospace, civil, chemical, construction, electrical, environmental, design & draughting, instrumentation and control, marine, mechanical (includes piping), petroleum, process, process technical safety, project controls, project management and structural (including structural architect).
and one of the following? (please tick one)
All graduates within the first 3 years of an in-scope company's graduate programme and employed prior to 31 December 2020 If you are unsure whether your graduates meet the criteria, please tick this box
Please give details below if the 'unsure' box was ticked
Will the continuation of learning for these graduates be at risk without Train to Retain support? Yes No
Total number of eligible graduates
Estimate the maximum number of days support required in total for all these graduates (a maximum of 120 days for each graduate)
Give a brief overview of the main development activities planned for these graduates to receive through Train to Retain. (If your stage one application is successful, this plan will be further developed at stage two of the application process with your account manager.)

Supplementary information

Which of the following best describes your order book as a result of Covid 19?

Reduced orders	Reduced orders						
Remained the sa	Remained the same Increased orders						
Increased orders							
Don't know							
Have you had to furlough ar Yes	No No	Don't know					
165	NO	Don't know					
How many in total?							
How many apprentices?							
How many graduates?							
How many trainees?							
Have you made any redund	ancies as a result of Co	ovid 19?					
Yes	No	Don't know					
How many in total?							
How many apprentices?							
How many graduates?							

How many trainees?
What is the total number of apprentices currently employed in your company?
0 1-9
10-29 30-49
50+ Don't know
What is the total number of graduates currently employed in your company?
0 1-9 10-29 30-49 50+ Don't know
What is the total number of trainees currently employed in your company?
0 1-9 10-29 30-49 50+ Don't know
Please give further details regarding how your business has been affected by Covid 19

Thank you for applying to the ECITB Train to Retain grant scheme. Your application will be reviewed and we will provide a decision in principle by 9th March 2021. You may receive a call from your ECITB account manager to verify some aspects of your application during the review period. If your stage one application is successful, your ECITB account manager will provide support to compile the information required for stage two of the application process.