

**35<sup>th</sup> COBIS Annual Conference for British International Schools**  
*Authentic Leadership: Inspirational Stories for Learning*  
**Saturday 7 May – Monday 9 May 2016**  
**InterContinental London - The O2, London**

Draft Programme

**Wednesday 4 – Friday 6 May**

09:30-15:00 **CPML Facilitator Training**  
Peter Simpson (at local Greenwich venue)

**Saturday 7 May**

09:00-15:00 **Safer Recruitment for International Schools** (optional course)  
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10:00-16:00 **COBIS/ISC Seminar** (optional seminar)  
*Developing your Independent School Brand Internationally: what you need to know and who can help you*  
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11:00-12:30 **An Introduction to Using Data to Inform Teaching & Learning** (optional seminar)  
GL Education, InterContinental London – The O2

15:00-16:00 **Pre-Conference Seminar and Afternoon Tea – hosted by COBIS/GL Education**  
(optional seminar)  
*UK Assessment Policy Update*  
GL Education, InterContinental London – The O2

16:00-17:00 **COBIS Ltd Annual General Meeting**  
The expectation is that all COBIS Accredited Member schools attend. In addition, representatives from all COBIS Member and Candidate schools are welcomed.  
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17:00-17:45 **COBIS New Leaders, Mentors and Mentees Drinks Reception**  
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18:25 **Transit and arrive at National Maritime Museum – sponsored by ISAMS**  
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19:00-23:00 **Welcome Reception and Dinner – sponsored by CEM (Durham University)**  
National Maritime Museum, Greenwich

**Sunday 8 May**

07:30-08:15 **STOMP-style Body Percussion & Samba Drumming**  
Ollie Tunmer, Beat Goes On

08:15 **Exhibition Opens**

09:00-09:15 **Welcome and COBIS Briefing**

- 09:15-10:15 **Keynote Speaker**  
Joe Simpson, world renowned mountaineer, author, speaker
- 10:15-10:30 **Keynote Speaker Q&A**  
Joe Simpson
- 09:15-09:45 **Exhibitor and Supporting Member Workshop**
- 10:30-11:10 **Exhibition and Break**
- 11:15-12:15 **Morning Seminars**
1. ***Leading from the Back/Changing Perspectives***  
Kai Vacher, Principal, British School Muscat, Sultanate of Oman
  2. ***What Makes Great Teaching?***  
Rob Coe, Professor of Education and Director of the Centre for Evaluation and Monitoring (CEM) at Durham University, UK
  3. ***Inspiring Leadership Stories***  
Karen Ardley, Lead Consultant, Karen Ardley Associates, UK
  4. ***How effective is your school's child protection programme?***  
Jane Larsson and Colin Bell, International Task Force on Child Protection
  5. ***Positioning Today's Students for Tomorrow's World***  
Lucy StoneHill, CEO, BridgeU, UK
  6. ***Bringing the World into Your Classroom: Erasmus and Beyond***  
British Council, UK
  7. ***Working Memory and Pupil Performance***  
Dr Richard Skelton, Child and Educational Psychologist, in association with Rising Stars, UK
- 12:15-13:15 **Lunch with Exhibitors**
- 13:15-14:15 **Keynote Speaker**  
*How To Become A World Class School*  
Professor Deborah Eyre, International education leader, academic and author
- 13:15-14:00 **Exhibitor and Supporting Member Development Workshop**
- 14:15-15:15 **Afternoon Seminars**
1. ***'Follow the Yellow Brick Road' to Excellent in All Categories***  
*(Inspections and Standards Panel Discussion)*  
John Bagust, Head of Primary Schools, Paul Kurczij, Deputy Head (Professional Development) at Prague British School, Czech Republic, Sue Aspinall, Headteacher Junior School, The British School in The Netherlands and Louise Simpson, Headteacher, St Paul's School, Brazil
  2. ***Data for Leadership: Three Takes on How Data Makes a Difference***  
*(Panel Discussion)*  
GL Education and Matthew Savage, Deputy Head of School, Bromsgrove International School, Thailand, David Paton, Proprietor and Head, Radnor House, UK and TBC
  3. ***Enriching Learning and Experiences in Schools: Developing the Spirit of Physical Expression***  
Crichton Casbon, Director Crichton Casbon Consulting Ltd, in association with CHQ Group Limited, UK

4. ***Increasing your student numbers to Oxbridge, the Ivy League and Russell Group Universities***  
(Panel Discussion)  
John Ing, Panel Chair and Director of Educational Consultancy, Jon Tabbert, Head of US Applications and Rebecca Williams, Head of Oxbridge Applications, (Dukes Education), and former Oxbridge Admissions Tutor
5. ***Making the most of Professional Development Opportunities for your Teaching Assistants - COBIS DITA***  
Eva Cartwright, Principal, TA College, UK
6. ***Your World in Harmony – How effective, new Governor Induction Training ensures you are all singing from the same song sheet***  
Mark Turner, Chair of Governors & Dr Christian Barkei, Principal, St Georges International School, Luxembourg
7. ***Thinking About The Unthinkable: Effective Crisis Planning in International Schools***  
Simon O'Grady, Principal, The British International School Cairo, Egypt

15:15-15:50 **Exhibition and Break**

15:50-16:20 **Keynote Speaker**  
TBC

16:00-16:30 **Exhibitor and Supporting Member Workshop**

16:20-16:50 **COBIS Committee Updates and Strategic Announcements**

16:50-17:00 **Round Up and Close**

17:00-17:55 **Wine Reception with Exhibitors**

17:55-18:45 **COBIS Young Scientist Film Awards**  
(Everyone welcome; drinks will continue to be served) followed by a free evening

### **Monday 9 May**

07:30-08:15 **STOMP-style Body Percussion & Samba Drumming**  
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08:15 **Exhibition Opens**

09:00-09:15 **Welcome, COBIS Briefing and Presentations**

09:15-10:05 **Keynote Speaker**  
*The Creative Path*  
Curtis Jobling, British illustrator, animator and author

10:05-10:20 **COBIS Social Media Storytelling**  
Simon Noakes, CEO & Founder, Interactive Schools, UK

10:20-11:00 **Exhibition and Break**

11:00-12:00 **Morning seminars**

1. ***Digging for Treasure on the Student Data Map***  
Matthew Savage, Deputy Head of School, Bromsgrove International School, Thailand

2. **Middle Leaders Matter: Transition from IPML to CPML**  
Peter Simpson, Headteacher, Senior School Voorschoten, The British School in The Netherlands, Dawn Akyürek, Headteacher, King's College La Moraleja,
3. **Careers Guidance – A Consultative Approach for a Modern and International Profession**  
Virginia Isaac, CEO Inspiring Futures; Present Chairman of the CDI (Careers Development Institute) and Careers England board member
4. **Telling the Story of Your School Online**  
Max Eisl, Regional Sales Manager, Finalsite, USA
5. **COBIS Incubator**  
TBC, COBIS Head Office, UK
6. **High Performance Learning: A Framework for Creating High Performing Students**  
Professor Deborah Eyre, International education leader, academic and author
7. **Legal Compliance – Prevent Strategy & Safeguarding**  
Matthew Burgess, Partner, Veale Wasbrough Vizards, UK

12:00-12:45 **Keynote Speaker**  
*News to Open Minds*  
Richard Addis, British journalist, editor, writer and entrepreneur

12:45-13:00 **COBIS Strategic Announcements**

13:00-14:00 **Exhibition and Lunch**

14:00-15:00 **Afternoon “Colour-coded” Seminars**  
*Interactive sessions to explore and determine collective areas for strategic development. Please note that delegates will be assigned seminar streams.*

1. **COBIS Conversation**
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15:00-15:30 **Exhibition and Break**

15:30-15:45 **International Schools Market Update**  
Richard Gaskell, Director for International Schools, ISC Research

15:45-16:45 **Keynote Session**  
COBIS SPARK  
*COBIS leaders sharing innovation and best practice*

16:45-17:00 **COBIS Conversation Feedback, Thank You and Conference Close**

18:30-19:30 **35th COBIS Annual Reception**  
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19:30-22:30 **35<sup>th</sup> COBIS Annual Dinner – sponsored by Discovery Education**  
Formal dress: Black tie and national dress optional

## Tuesday 10 May

10:00-15:30 **Advanced Child Protection Course (optional course)**  
Kidscape, University of Greenwich, London