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## Teaching Together In Europe

**Teaching Together in Europe** is a new partnership between three of Europe's most prestigious British International Schools and some of the UK's most exciting teacher training providers.

Trainees will have the opportunity to be placed in **Brussels, Prague, or Rome**, where they will gain experience of the International Baccalaureate and be mentored by expert teachers from all over the world. These placements are sure to give them new ideas they can then bring back to British classrooms, and will prepare them for changes in education as the sector increasingly looks globally for inspiration. They will also get a chance to enjoy living in their host city, where local staff will help them make the most of the cultural opportunities.

The first two sets of **six-week placements** will be between January and April 2022 with the opportunity of shorter 'experience visits' after Easter, for those who might not be able to travel abroad for the longer placements.

The **schools** are [The British School of Brussels](#), [The English College in Prague](#), and [St George's British International School, Rome](#).

They are:

- Members of [HMC](#), and [COBIS](#) Training Schools
- Academically aspirational, not-for-profit independent schools
- Based on the British model, adapted to local circumstances
- Committed to professional learning and development

The **Initial Teacher Training Providers** are [Nottinghamshire Torch SCITT](#) and the [Pennine Lancashire SCITT](#).

In the first year (2022) the aim is to provide placements for at least 12 trainees. This number may grow in the future, as the TTE schools and providers work together to explore further potential collaborations, including shared experiences for students and shared professional learning opportunities for teachers.

Additionally, The English College in Prague will offer up to five placement opportunities for secondary-phase trainees from the [One Cumbria Teaching School Hub](#), with a specific focus on the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme.

*"The TTE partnership was born out of a desire to deepen connections between UK teacher training and British International schools in Europe. Our schools benefit so much from UK-trained teachers, and it is good for us to offer something in return. Educating children transcends national borders, and sharing ideas internationally will benefit us all."*

**Tony Emmerson - Senior Deputy Head, English College in Prague**

*“All three schools are committed to **Professional Learning**. We see this partnership as an opportunity to create a professional learning community that, on an individual level, will provide high-quality mentoring and teaching experiences for the future trainees. At a school level it will encourage reflection and collaboratively develop our classroom practice and, at a wider TTE level, it will create an opportunity to learn beyond the walls of our own schools, sharing ideas, bringing new perspectives and challenging our thinking beyond the status quo.*

**Melanie Chambers - Deputy Head and Professional Learning Leader. BSB**

*“We are extremely excited about working in partnership with ‘Teaching Together in Europe’ and the diverse opportunities this will bring to our early career teachers and wider workforce. By giving teachers more opportunities to experience additional educational settings on a global stage the greater the chances we have to develop future educational excellence. We are looking forward to seeing the impact such a partnership will have on our new workforce.”*

**Treena Philpotts - Director of Nottinghamshire Torch SCITT**

*“The Pennine Lancashire SCITT has at its heart a desire to create outstanding outward-facing teachers. One of our curriculum drivers is to create “Teachers of the World”, and this partnership offers an exciting collaboration for our trainees to develop their skills as global practitioners, and for our schools to foster relationships outside the UK that will impact on teacher development beyond the ITT programme.”*

**Louise Stubbs - PLSCITT Executive Lead**

*“We are excited by the opportunities that will be available as we develop our partnership with the English College in Prague. It will give our Initial Teacher Trainees the chance to develop skills in an international context and then return to Cumbria to share ideas and new ways of working. The partnership has the potential to help us all gain valuable experiences of different education systems, cultures, laws that govern education and the way all these factors influence the way children and young people are educated. We can’t wait to get started!”*

**Tine Beddoe - ITT Development Lead, One Cumbria TSH**

*“Through international experience, teachers gain a wealth of transferable skills: cultural awareness, a global outlook and international mindedness, adaptability, EAL experience, and much more. A placement in one of the high-quality COBIS Training Schools involved in the TTE partnership will be a tremendous opportunity for trainees. This is an exciting example of how the UK and international school sectors can work together to grow the global teacher workforce.”*

**Dr Fiona Rogers - Deputy CEO and Director of Professional Development and Research, COBIS**

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