Mind The Skills Gap

Staying Relevant in the Noughties and Beyond

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- Keep hearing about ‘skills gap’
- Old hands getting laid off
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- Why not retool existing staff?
- What Skills are needed now and in the future?
- What about students?
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Synopsis

- In the 1980’s a career in IT was seen as a safe bet
- Much development work can easily be outsourced to cheaper countries
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- Packaged and hosted solutions cut development requirements
- Have students picked up on this? Declining IT classes
- What skills are needed today and how to get them?
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The Panel

• **Professor Adrian Hopgood**
  – Professor and Dean of the Faculty of Computing Sciences & Engineering at De Montfort University.

• **Computer People**
  – Richard Bradshaw, Recruitment Consultant
  – Matt Collingwood, Business Development Manager

• **QA-IQ, Training**
  – Jeff Barnes, Head of Technical Instructor Community

• **Dave Burke**, Barclaycard Technology Office
  – Head of Strategy Planning & Architecture

• **Sue Bailey**, Cert Ed. MSc, MBCS
  – Lecturer in Information Systems, UCN
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