



# British Association for Supported Employment Annual Conference 2022

## Sponsorship brochure

Hilton Leeds City  
9-10 November 2022  
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**Principle sponsor:  
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## The British Association for Supported Employment

The annual conference of the British Association for Supported Employment takes place at the Leeds Hilton Hotel on 9-10 November 2022 and will be attended by around 200 practitioners from across the UK employment and education sectors.

BASE was formed to promote supported employment as the most effective and direct route to open paid employment for people with disabilities and/or other economic disadvantage. The core customers of supported employment services are people with learning disabilities, people with long term mental health needs, autism conditions and sensory impairments though a number of services are also supporting other disadvantaged groups.



With over 220 member organisations across Britain, BASE is seen as the foremost organisation representing specialist employment support. BASE represents and supports the supported employment sector, informing its members' activities through regional forums, newsletters, national conferences and its website. The annual conference is an opportunity for members to network and discuss best practice. It is also a chance to listen to respected practitioners, academics, strategists and political figures.



The association is now recognised as a key stakeholder within the disability employment sector and seeks to work closely with Government departments on the development of national strategies to improve the employment rates of people who would otherwise face exclusion from the labour market.

Our 2022 conference will again focus on the practical aspects of delivering high quality supported employment services. The event offers a number of sponsorship opportunities.

Left: Head of DWP's Disability and Work Opportunities Division, Hugh Pullinger



## Principal conference sponsor

This year's principal sponsorship has been confirmed with Rangam Associates. We are grateful for their support.



Rangam is a minority-, woman-, and disability-owned workforce solutions company. Their philosophy of “Empathy Drives Innovation” influences everything they do. As one of the fastest-growing professional staffing agencies providing autism jobs, they specialise in attracting and retaining both neurotypical and neurodiverse talent globally for IT, Engineering, Scientific, Clinical, Healthcare, Administrative, Finance, and Business Professional sectors while integrating veterans and individuals with disabilities into the workforce.

## Associate sponsors

We are pleased to welcome DPD Group and Brain in Hand as associate sponsors.

DPD's Inspire programme is designed to give young people with disabilities and/or special educational needs the opportunities they deserve by providing a structured and supported work environment. Individuals who join DPD through



Inspire have the opportunity to follow a clear progression path: Work Experience, Supported Internships and Inclusive Apprenticeships before achieving a substantive post. From the start of their journey, we work with individuals to understand their aspirations and personalities to determine where they will work best and match those with a role that considers their support needs.

Brain in Hand is a digital self-management support system for people who need help remembering things, making decisions, planning, or managing anxiety. It's not condition-specific, but is often used by people who are autistic or managing anxiety-related mental health challenges. Combining practical human support and digital self-management technology, Brain in Hand helps people live more independently.



Our system is approved by government departments and in use throughout health, social care and higher education settings across the UK.

Right: David May of Sodexo

Below: One of the 20+ workshops







Above: Entrepreneur, Laura Green speaking to our 2015 conference about her business Serendipity

## Sponsorship of conference dinner

Our conference dinner and awards evening takes place on 9<sup>th</sup> November and offers a highly visible means of supporting the conference.

- Acknowledgement from the chair during the address
- Opportunity to address conference dinner
- Inclusion of your corporate logo on the conference dinner menu
- Half page advertisement in the conference handbook
- Inclusion of your marketing materials in the conference delegate packs
- Display of your corporate logo and description of your organisation on the BASE conference website, including a hyperlink to your corporate website
- Complimentary exhibition floorspace
- 2 complimentary delegate registrations



## Conference brochure

The conference brochure is kindly sponsored by [Outshine Telephone Training and Resources](#)



Outshine Telephone Training & Resources are telephone skills training specialists covering Employer Engagement, Sales and Customer Service skills. Virtual and in-person training are catered for along with online bitesize modules. The training is led by Audrey Bodman who has personally delivered employer engagement skills training within the Welfare to Work, Employability and Skills sector for over 29 years.

## Delegate bags (£1500+vat)

The sponsor will be offered:

- inclusion of the organisation's logo on the delegate bags
- Inclusion of your marketing materials in the conference delegate packs
- complimentary exhibition space
- acknowledgement within all conference publicity materials





## Practitioner Awards (£1500+vat per award)

These awards recognise and celebrate outstanding practice in the field of supported employment in the UK. The aim of the awards is to promoting the remarkable work that goes on across the country to help people with disabilities get the support they need to achieve their work aspirations and retain paid employment.

- **Team of the Year Award 2022**

*Sponsorship available*

Presented to the outstanding team for 2022

- **Practitioner of the Year Award**

*Sponsorship available*

This award recognises achievement by an individual practitioner

- **Best Employer Practice Award**

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Presented to an employer in recognition of their practice as an inclusive employer

- **David Grainger Award**

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Presented to a disabled employee who demonstrates outstanding progress in their job role

Sponsors will be encouraged to participate in judging the winners of the awards and will be asked to present the award at our conference dinner on 9<sup>th</sup> November.

- Representation on the awards judging panel
- Half page advertisement in the conference handbook
- 2 complimentary places at the conference dinner

Below: Winners of the 2021 Team of the Year award, Southampton City Council's Employment Support Team



Above: Winner of the 2021 Employer Award, DPD Group

## David Grainger Award

The David Grainger Award is presented annually by BASE in memory of David Grainger. David was the secretary of NASE and general manager of Roseville Enterprises who died prematurely in 2004.

David felt passionately that supported employment should offer a wide range of choices to help individuals improve their quality of life. Therefore, the Award is presented to a person with a disability who has made outstanding progress in their employment and is a significant 'team player' who always supports his or her colleagues. This year, the award is open to national nominations.



Left: 2016 David Grainger Award winner, Timothy Broadhurst (left) who was presented with his award by Coronation Street actor, Liam Bairstow.

Right: 2021 David Grainger Award winner, Junior Mark Cryle, of Loch Fyne Grill & Restaurant in York.



## Further information

If you wish to discuss these sponsorship opportunities, or any aspect of the conference, please contact Laura Davis on 01252 912829 or by email [Laura.Davis@base-uk.org](mailto:Laura.Davis@base-uk.org)



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