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SSIF Webinar – 9<sup>th</sup> Feb  
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#### Strategic School Improvement Fund (SSIF) – Roadshows and Application

Please see below details regarding the upcoming SSIF Roadshows. If you are interested in attending any of the events please continue to register [here](#).

**9th February - Webinar** - 10am - 12pm - login details will be sent to you directly by a colleague from the DfE

**21st February** - 9am - 12pm - venue tbc

**1st March - Webinar** – 1pm – 3pm - login details will be sent to you directly by a colleague from the DfE

If you have any questions regarding the Roadshows please do not hesitate to contact [info@emsyh.org.uk](mailto:info@emsyh.org.uk).

The SSIF R3 application form is now live and available at: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/strategic-school-improvement-fund#apply>

If you have any questions please send them through to [ssif.enquiries@education.gov.uk](mailto:ssif.enquiries@education.gov.uk).

#### EMSYH School-Led Conference Workshop

Thank you to all of those that attended and contributed to the School Led Conference Workshop held early this week.

We were joined by Stef Edwards who provided an insightful keynote with a focus around measuring impact and the journey of providing evidence based practice – thank you Stef.

Feedback around the development of a Case Study Framework and a Peer Review Model will be shared in the coming weeks.

For those who were unable to attend we have made the resources available via the EMSYH portal. Please [click here](#) to download.

We were delighted to be joined by our colleagues from the Research Schools who are keen to strengthen the partnership work with Teaching Schools. For further links to the research schools [click here](#)

Planning for the June conference is now underway and information will be circulated over the next coming weeks. We have been provided with a number a dates with potential clashes, please continue to send these through and we will endeavour to accommodate where possible.

If you are interested in being part of the Conference Planning Group, please contact [Rebecca.smith@emsyh.org.uk](mailto:Rebecca.smith@emsyh.org.uk) – alternatively please continue to send through any suggestions for content to be included.

## Planning Steering Group

Sarah Rockliff – Learning Unlimited TSA (Sheffield)

Judith Smith – Fusion TSA (Sheffield)

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Helen Barker – Lincolnshire Mount Street TSA (Lincolnshire) and co-chair of East Midlands Teaching School Strategy Group

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Anju Virdee – Synergy TSA (Derbyshire) and Chair of EMTSA Network

Tom Banham – Barnsley TSA (Barnsley) and Chair of South Yorkshire Sub Regional Network

Ged Fitzpatrick – St Mary’s College TSA (Hull) and Chair of The Humber Sub Regional Network

Jane Lewis – Regional Governance Champion

If you have any suggestions on what this day could involve or have any dates in June that are not suitable due to already scheduled major events please contact [rebecca.smith@emsyh.org.uk](mailto:rebecca.smith@emsyh.org.uk)

## Evidence Leads in Education – East Midlands

### Message from Kyra Research School

“We are looking to increase our talented workforce and wish to recruit a pilot cohort of Evidence Leads in Education (ELE) across the East Midlands. The ELEs will contribute to evidence informed school improvement and will be designated by Kyra Research School on behalf of the East Midlands Teaching Schools Strategic Group (EMTSSG)”

### What does an ELE do?

Applicants need to be outstanding teachers, who are middle and senior leaders, with the skills to support individuals or teams in similar positions in other schools. They understand what outstanding leadership in the use of evidence to inform school practice looks like and are skilled in helping other leaders to achieve it in their own context.

You can find the application form and further information here

<https://kyra.researchschool.org.uk/2018/02/05/evidence-leads-in-education-recruitment/>

The closing date is 23 February 2018 at 23:00. All enquiries to go to [research@kyrateachingschool.com](mailto:research@kyrateachingschool.com)”

## Maths Hubs SSIF Event – South Yorkshire and Humber

Those Teaching Schools that are considering submitting a SSIF bid that are supporting Maths are now required to work with and complement existing national and local Maths Hubs programmes of support. To ensure Maths Hubs are able to accommodate this, South Yorkshire and Humber Maths Hubs are organising a SSIF event.

**Message from John Coats** *On behalf of Yorkshire Ridings Maths Hub, West Yorkshire Maths Hub, Yorkshire & Humber Maths Hub and South Yorkshire Maths Hub*

“We are organising a **Maths Hubs SSIF event** for Teaching Schools and other organisations who are considering submitting a round 3 SSIF bid to improve the teaching of mathematics in schools in the Yorkshire and Humber region.

The purpose of the event will be to

- a) Support you by discussing ways in which the involvement of Maths Hubs as a strategic partner can help you demonstrate an evidence-based programme of support, deliverability, sustainability and value for money.
- b) provide an opportunity for you to meet with and discuss your proposal with the Maths Hub Lead for your SRIB area.

The Maths Hubs SSIF event will be held in central Leeds (venue TBC) on **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Feb** from 12.30-3.00pm.

If you are planning on submitting a SSIF bid that supports improvements in the teaching of mathematics in any schools in Yorkshire and Humber then please could you confirm your attendance asap to [admin@symathshub.org.uk](mailto:admin@symathshub.org.uk)

Colleagues in the East Midlands can contact your local Maths hub by following this [link](#)

### Regional opportunities

Please [click here](#) to visit the portal to view the latest regional opportunities.

All the best,

Ellen Lee

**On behalf of Chris Wheatley, TSC Representative East Midlands, South Yorkshire and Humber and Chris Abbott, TSC Representative for South Yorkshire and Humber**

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