

Release Guide

Learner Information Suite 16.03

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Purpose

This document highlights the new features and functionality in the Learner Information Suite (LIS) version 16.03. It does not document the whole system.

Overview

New functionality in LIS 16.03

- New Reports
- Validation Rule Changes
- E2E Funding Calculation fixes

New reports in LIS 16.03

The following reports are new to LIS 16.03

- ILR Actuals by SSoA Category (Employer Responsive SSoA)
- Future Funding Factors (ER)
- Future Funding Factors (LR)

ILR Actuals by SSoA Category (ER SSoA)

This report shows a summary of Employer Responsive data, corresponding to the categories used in the Summary Statements of Activity produced during the funding allocation process. The specification of this report is available from the LIS 16.03 download page.

Future Funding Factors Reports (ER and LR)

These reports show predicted funding factors based upon the currently imported ILR data file. The specification of this report is available from the LIS 16.03 download page.

Validation Rule Changes

The validation rules in this release have been updated to implement version 5 of the validation rules published by the Information Authority (IA) on 13 February 2009. The specification of the validation rules is available from the ILR Documents section of the IA website.

E2E Funding Calculation fixes

There have been two changes made to the calculation of funding for Entry to Employment (E2E) learners. These are:

- a change to the calculation of qualification bonuses where an enhanced bonus is achieved before a basic bonus, and
- the calculation of on-programme payments for learners who continue beyond the planned end date but where no actual end date has been entered.

These have been corrected and further information can be found in the LIS 16.03 known issues document and in version 3.2 of the Demand Led Funding specification available from the LIS 16.03 download page.

Other Changes and Fixes in LIS 16.03

- The Funding Claim Report and ILR Actuals by SSoA Category (Learner Responsive) report have been amended to use a variable called Prior_SLN_Ind, which has also been added as an output from the funding calculation. This may result in small changes to the way that some learners are counted in this report.
- The ER Indicative Volume and Cash reports and Indicative Occupancy Export now use a new definition of Funding Line ("16-18 Apprenticeship", "Train to Gain" etc.) to correspond with forthcoming changes to the PFR reports.
- The Indicative Occupancy export has an extra field for the TtG Uplift Factor
- An SLN field has been added to the Summary of LR DLF report.
- The Detailed Learner and Aim Funding report for Learner Responsive funding has been changed to Include ILR Fields A46a and A46b. Also, each page gives clearer indication as to whether the learner is co-funded or fully funded in the funding results table.