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Matt originally trained and worked as a horticulturalist, and still harbours a keen amateur interest. A move into learning and development via horticulture brought him into Higher Education, where he has worked for the last 18 years, working at the University of Exeter in Staff Development. He has been involved in the development and delivery of a range of qualification programmes and the design and development of learning resources to support these, specialising in work based learning. He has given papers at national conferences on the subject, receiving an award at the UPA conference in 2007 in the organisational development category for innovation in the production of a virtual learning environment to support Exeters' competency framework and Personal Development Review process.

Matt has been keen to help support the development of all staff working in Higher Education Institutions in the South West where he was HESDA Regional Co-ordinator for a number of years and was the facilitator for the Staff Development Group in the SW Region for seven years, and now represents HEaTED as a council member of the Staff Development Forum. He was recently elected into the post of Deputy Director of the SDF.

Over the last few years he has worked on projects to develop accredited frameworks where there is no current provision, benefiting from national grants to assist with the development work. (E.g. environmental conservation, employability). Working in partnership with HESDA (Higher Education Staff Development Agency) and the IST (Institute of Science Technology) he worked on developing a CPD framework and programme for Technical Staff working in Higher Education. He was seconded to the Leadership Foundation for Higher Education for 6 months to do some scoping work around Technical Specialists out of which came HEaTED and a report which eventually led to a successful LGM bid to HEFCE. Matt is seconded to the HEaTED project part time to take the recommendations from the report forward and continues to work on Organisational Development including liP at Exeter. He recently secured the position of CEO for the HEaTED project.