

Vicki Stott Biography

Vicki has been Chief Executive of QAA for two years. In this timeframe, she has spearheaded the agency's evolution across all four nations of the UK. This includes overseeing emerging responsibilities across tertiary education in Scotland, in Wales, under the newly-formed Commission and in Northern Ireland.

Vicki has advised domestic and international governments on matters including the regulation of quality, delivery of lifelong learning, legislation to criminalise essay mills, and the delivery of quality provision during the pandemic. She advocates for UK higher education on the world stage, including as a board member of the International Network for Quality Assurance Agencies in Higher Education (INQAAHE).

Prior to joining QAA, Vicki was Bursar (COO) at St Hugh's College Oxford. She has also worked at the University of Birmingham as Director of Strategic Planning and in various roles at Warwick University and Warwick Business School. She started her career in higher education at UMIST, where she worked in international student recruitment. Vicki worked on the Scottish Government inquiry into infant cremation practices, and has experience in the commercial and charity sectors, having run her own company and been director of a charity working with women and families affected by domestic abuse.

Vicki is a graduate of Manchester University, and Harvard Kennedy Business School from where she holds a qualification in the Strategic Management of Regulatory Enforcement Agencies.