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We would like to include your name, title and organisation (but not your address) on the delegate list. Should you not wish us to do this, please tick here

### PAYMENT

Payment is required in advance and must be received at least 10 working days before the event. We reserve the right to cancel bookings if payment has not been received.

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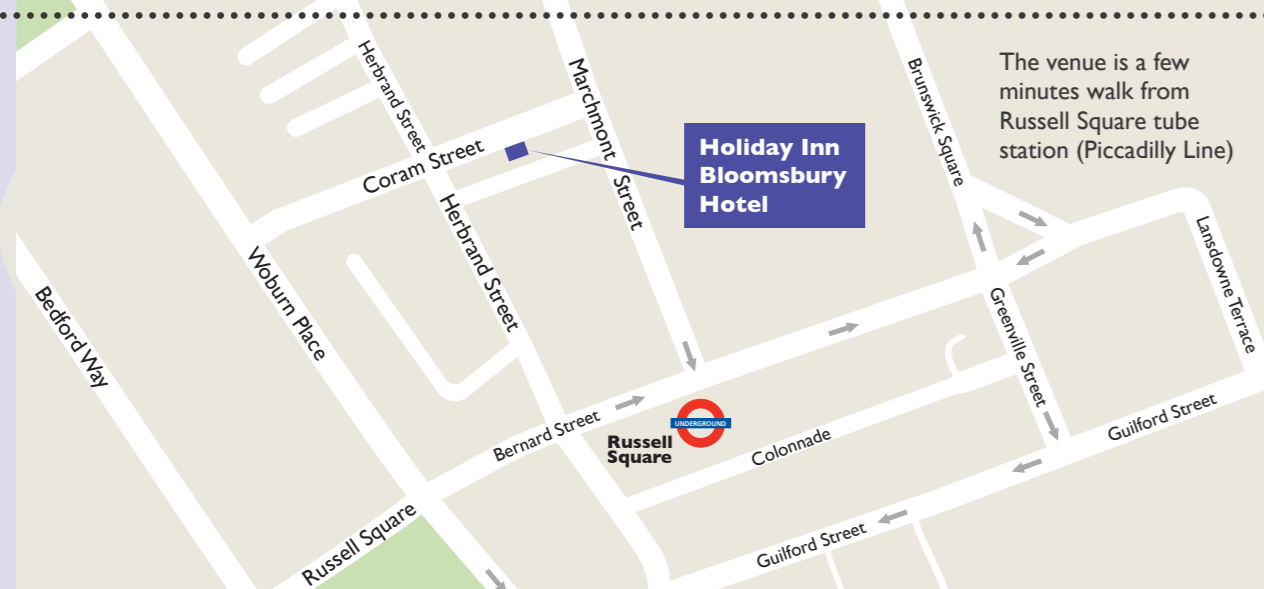
All delegate fees must be paid in advance of the symposium. Your fee is fully refundable, provided we receive your cancellation in writing more than ten working days before the symposium. No refunds are available for cancellations within ten working days of the event, though substitutions are permitted.

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### PROGRAMME

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## How to get there



Please photocopy the map and keep it safe to help you find us.

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Launching a national BSL Strategy and the BSL Alliance:

# After Recognition – The Way Forward

organised by British Deaf Association

Monday  
19th March 2012

Holiday Inn Bloomsbury Hotel  
Coram Street  
London WC1N 1HT

**REGISTER TODAY**

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## Launching a national BSL Strategy and the BSL Alliance:

# After Recognition – The Way Forward

In 2003, the British Government recognised BSL as a language in its own right, a landmark announcement welcomed by many people. Since then the UK is now a place that is the envy of many Deaf people living in other countries – we have 3 hours of BSL every night on mainstream TV and thousands of people learn BSL every year. There is also much exciting work going on in research, in schools, and in the wider community.

However there is no room for complacency – more needs to be done. Since the BDA established the first Teaching Agency (BSLTA) 20 years ago, there are now fewer BSL teachers. There is also a belief that technology can provide all the answers while many Deaf people are denied full access to services. This symposium is a first step to ensuring that recognition becomes meaningful with enforceable rights and appropriate resources.

### Purpose of Symposium

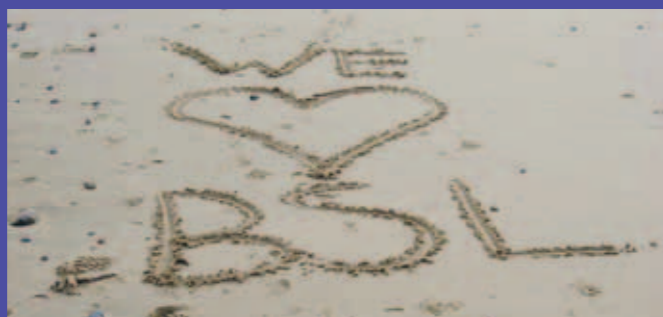
The BSL Symposium has two aims. One is to establish the BSL Alliance to which organisations interested in promoting BSL are invited to join. The second is to begin the process of working together to achieve agreed objectives set out in the national BSL Strategy “Transforming Deaf People’s Lives”.

### Who can join?

Any organisation that has an interest in promoting BSL:

- mainstream school with deaf pupils
- Deaf school
- university department
- Deaf club
- Deaf group
- Deaf charity
- service provider to Deaf people
- local authority supporting our BSL Charter
- Deaf-led business teaching BSL

Any organisation or Deaf professional that cares about BSL is welcome to join the BSL Alliance.



### Contact

 [bslsymposium@bda.org.uk](mailto:bslsymposium@bda.org.uk) for more information or to book your place.

- 9.00am** Registration and refreshments  
**9.30am** Chair’s welcome  
**9.35am** Maria Miller MP, Parliamentary-Under Secretary of State for Work and Pensions & Minister for Disabled People (tbc)  
**10.05am** The United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities – ensuring the inclusion of Deaf people and sign language  
**10.25am** Transforming Deaf People’s Lives – the national BSL Strategy  
**10.45am** Questions from the floor  
**11.00am** Breakout and networking – Exhibitions  
**11.30am** Breakout sessions: Case studies for information and questions

Case study 1	Case study 2	Case study 3	Case study 4	Case study 5
The UK’s Shadow Report for the UNCRPD	Assessment of Deaf Children’s BSL – perspectives	Sign Languages in Europe – EUD Overview	Researching BSL – an Overview	BSL Bill – Scotland. The Scottish Roadmap, issues and considerations

- 12.45pm** Lunch and networking – Exhibitions  
**2.00pm** Breakout sessions: Workshops to develop work-plans for achieving objectives in BSL Strategy

Workshop 1	Workshop 2	Workshop 3	Workshop 4	Workshop 5
Establishing the BSL Alliance	Developing a campaign for legal provisions to safeguard BSL	Developing a portfolio of BSL syllabi – Adults, Parents and Schools	Achieving bilingual and bicultural education	Access – ensuring good consistent provision with BSL interpreters, CSWs and VRS/VRI

- 3.00pm** Break and networking – Exhibitions  
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- 4.30pm** Open Feedback and BSL Alliance – Developing Positive Responses  
**4.55pm** Closing remarks  
**5.00pm** There will be bar facilities available for networking after the event

### Thank you to our sponsors



# Booking form

RSVP: **Friday 2 March 2012**

### Delegate charge per person (includes workshops, lunch & refreshments)

Tick where applicable.

- Charities/Clubs/Social Enterprise under £250,000 a year  £100      £250k to £500k a year  £115  
 £500k to £1m a year  £130      over £1m a year  £145
- Statutory Organisations  £150  
 Corporate Organisations  £175  
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 BDA Member  £75

- Exhibition Charity/Club Standard Rate for the day  £100      Statutory Standard Rate  £150  
 Corporate Standard Rate  £200

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### Your organisation details (please print clearly)

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 Job title   
 Case study (tick only one) |  1  2  3  4  5      Workshop (tick two) |  1  2  3  4  5

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 Job title   
 Case study (tick only one) |  1  2  3  4  5      Workshop (tick two) |  1  2  3  4  5

**Delegate 3** Title  Name  Surname   
 Job title   
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